

## SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Title: *Are You Wasting Your Life?*  
Text: *Matthew 26:6-13*

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- 1) Start by going around the group and sharing your highs and lows from the past week.
- 2) Read through Matthew 26:6-13. What stands out from this passage?
- 3) The parallel passage in John 12 reveals to us that Mary was the woman who anointed Jesus with oil. Notice how the disciples react to Mary's act of devotion with the words: "why this waste." Was there ever a time in the past (or even now) when you felt like giving to Jesus was wasteful?
- 4) Have you ever experienced a time when someone viewed your devotion to God as wasteful? How did this affect your decision about whether or not to continue living this way?
- 5) In verse 10, Jesus says that what Mary did for him was "beautiful." We can often become so focused on others' opinions of us that we forget there is only one opinion that really matters - God's opinion. In what way do you need to realign your heart so that you are first and foremost motivated by Jesus?
- 6) Group Prayer: Spend some time praying for one another.

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