

Message Notes ~ Sunday ~ May 14, 2023

"The Cost of Living"

Happy Mother's Day !

⁷ "Leave her alone," Jesus replied. "It was intended that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial. ⁸ You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have me." John 12: 4-8

Living Life _____ will come at _____

Six days before the Passover, Jesus arrived at Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. ² Here a dinner was given in Jesus' honor. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him. ³ Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume." John 12:1-3 *"Therefore be <u>imitators of God</u>, as beloved children. ² And <u>walk in</u> <u>love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant</u> offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:1-2 ESV*

- Living A Life For _____ Is _____
 - "We love because he first loved us." 1 John 4:19

> The Way _____ Can Leave _____

"But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him, objected, ⁵ "Why wasn't this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year's wages." ⁶ He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a <u>thief</u>; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

Questions to Ponder:

use these with your family, Life Group, with friends or in prayer

- 1. Who has left a fragrance of impact on your life?
- 2. What can you learn from Mary's acts of service?
- 3. What does following Jesus cost you?
- 4. What are some tangible ways you can start serving others?