

## John 12 – Lesson 12

### Amplified Bible

**John 12:1** SO SIX days before the Passover Feast, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, who had died and whom He had raised from the dead. **2** So they made Him a supper; and Martha served, but Lazarus was one of those at the table with Him. **3** Mary took a pound of ointment of pure liquid nard [a rare perfume] that was very expensive, and she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped them with her hair. And the whole house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. **4** But Judas Iscariot, the one of His disciples who was about to betray Him, said, **5** Why was this perfume not sold for 300 denarii [a year's wages for an ordinary workman] and that [money] given to the poor (the destitute)? **6** Now he did not say this because he cared for the poor but because he was a thief; and having the bag (the money box, the purse of the Twelve), he took for himself what was put into it [pilfering the collections]. **7** But Jesus said, Let her alone. It was [intended] that she should keep it for the time of My preparation for burial. [She has kept it that she might have it for the time of My embalming.] **8** You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have Me. **9** Now a great crowd of the Jews heard that He was at Bethany, and they came there, not only because of Jesus but that they also might see Lazarus, whom He had raised from the dead. **10** So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death also, **11** Because on account of him many of the Jews were going away [were withdrawing from and leaving the Judeans] and believing in *and* adhering to Jesus. **12** The next day a vast crowd of those who had come to the Passover Feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. **13** So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him. And as they went, they kept shouting, Hosanna! Blessed is He *and* praise to Him Who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!† **14** And Jesus, having found a young donkey, rode upon it, [just] as it is written in the Scriptures, **15** Do not fear, O Daughter of Zion! Look! Your King is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!† **16** His disciples did not understand *and* could not comprehend the meaning of these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified *and* exalted, they remembered that these things had been written about Him and had been done to Him. **17** The group that had been with Jesus when He called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from among the dead kept telling it [bearing witness] to others. **18** It was for this reason that the crowd went out to meet Him, because they had heard that He had performed this sign (proof, miracle). **19** Then the Pharisees said among themselves, You see how futile your efforts are *and* how you accomplish nothing. See! The whole world is running after Him! **20** Now among those who went up to worship at the Feast were some Greeks. **21** These came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and they made this request, Sir, we desire to see Jesus. **22** Philip came and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip together [went] and told Jesus. **23** And Jesus answered them, The time has come for the Son of Man to be glorified *and* exalted. **24** I assure you, most solemnly I tell you, Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains [just one grain; it

never becomes more but lives] by itself alone. But if it dies, it produces many others *and* yields a rich harvest. **25** Anyone who loves his life loses it, but anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it to life eternal. [Whoever has no love for, no concern for, no regard for his life here on earth, but despises it, preserves his life forever and ever.] **26** If anyone serves Me, he must continue to follow Me [ato cleave steadfastly to Me, conform wholly to My example in living and, if need be, in dying] and wherever I am, there will My servant be also. If anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him. **27** Now My soul is troubled *and* distressed, and what shall I say? Father, save Me from this hour [of trial and agony]? But it was for this very purpose that I have come to this hour [that I might undergo it]. **28** [Rather, I will say,] Father, glorify (honor and extol) Your [own] name! Then there came a voice out of heaven saying, I have already glorified it, and I will glorify it again. **29** The crowd of bystanders heard the sound and said that it had thundered; others said, An angel has spoken to Him! **30** Jesus answered, This voice has not come for My sake, but for your sake. **31** Now the judgment (crisis) of this world is coming on [sentence is now being passed on this world]. Now the ruler (evil genius, prince) of this world shall be cast out (expelled). **32** And I, if *and* when I am lifted up from the earth [on the cross], will draw *and* attract all men [Gentiles as well as Jews] to Myself. **33** He said this to signify in what manner He would die. **34** At this the people answered Him, We have learned from the Law that the Christ is to remain forever; how then can You say, The Son of Man must be lifted up [on the cross]? Who is this Son of Man? **35** So Jesus said to them, You will have the Light only a little while longer. Walk while you have the Light [keep on living by it], so that darkness may not overtake *and* overcome you. He who walks about in the dark does not know where he goes [he is drifting]. **36** While you have the Light, believe in the Light [have faith in it, hold to it, rely on it], that you may become sons of the Light *and* be filled with Light. Jesus said these things, and then He went away and hid Himself from them [was lost to their view]. **37** Even though He had done so many miracles before them (right before their eyes), yet they still did not trust in Him *and* failed to believe in Him— **38** So that what Isaiah the prophet said was fulfilled: Lord, who has believed our report *and* our message? And to whom has the arm (the power) of the Lord been shown (unveiled and revealed)? **39** Therefore they could not believe [they were unable to believe]. For Isaiah has also said, **40** He has blinded their eyes and hardened *and* benumbed their [callous, degenerated] hearts [He has made their minds dull], to keep them from seeing with their eyes and understanding with their hearts *and* minds and repenting *and* turning to Me to heal them. **41** Isaiah said this because he saw His glory and spoke of Him. **42** And yet [in spite of all this] many even of the leading men (the authorities and the nobles) believed *and* trusted in Him. But because of the Pharisees they did not confess it, for fear that [if they should acknowledge Him] they would be expelled from the synagogue; **43** For they loved the approval *and* the praise *and* the glory that come from men [instead of and] more than the glory that comes from God. [They valued their credit with men more than their credit with God.]