

The Voice Pt 4

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Because of You

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John 12:1-11

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1 Thessalonians 3:7-"Therefore, brothers, in all our distress and persecution we were encouraged about you because of your faith"

v8-9a-"For now we really live, since you are standing firm in the Lord. How can we thank God enough for you

*v9b-"in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God **BECAUSE OF YOU**"*

John 12:1 - Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead.

Martha

1. Are you so caught up in serving that you forget _____ you are serving?

John 12:2 - Here a dinner was given in Jesus' honor. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him.

Mary

2. If you are called to be _____ what are you doing to actually live that out?

John 12:3 - 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.

Do you live a bare minimum life or one of _____?

Judas

John 12:4-6 - 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 thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

3. Are you interested in _____ or just interested in nit-picking those who do?
4. Are you interested in a _____ or just interested in people thinking you're godly?
5. Are you interested in the _____ that God is putting in front of you or just interested in living as easy a life as possible?

John 12:7-8 - "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."

What opportunities is God putting in front of you right now?

John 12:9-11 - Meanwhile a large crowd of Jews found out that Jesus was there and came, not only because of him but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. 10 So the chief priests made plans to kill Lazarus as well, 11 for on account of him many of the Jews were going over to Jesus and believing in him.