

MEMORY VERSE: Truly I tell you, wherever this gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her. Matthew 26:13 NIV

LESSON AIM: To contrast the actions of the Jewish religious leaders toward Jesus, the disciples' reaction to Mary's anointment of Jesus and Mary's act of love toward Jesus.

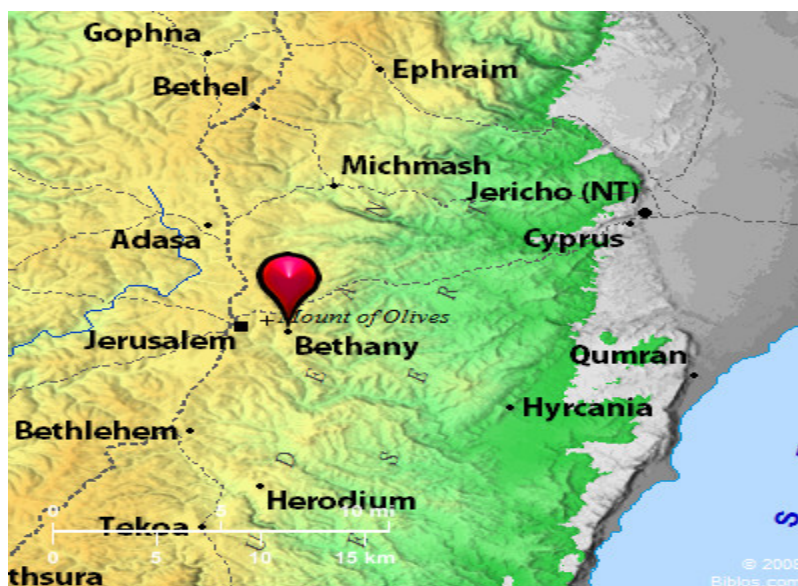
## INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY OUTLINE

### I. THE PLOT TO KILL JESUS: MATTHEW 26:1-5

1. What does Matthew 26:1 refer to? Matthew 24:3 (Matthew 24-25)
2. What Jewish Feast did Jesus refer was about to occur? Matthew 26:2a
3. What did the Jewish Passover Feast commemorate? Exodus 12:3-28
4. What did Jesus announce for the fourth time to His disciples was about to happen to Him? Matthew 26:2b
5. Who plotted to kill Jesus? Where did they meet? Matthew 26:3
6. What was the conspirators' plan? Matthew 26:4
7. When did the Jewish leaders not want to arrest Jesus? Why? Matthew 26:5

### II. THE PRESENTATION OF LOVE: MATTHEW 26:6-13

8. Who did Jesus visit in Bethany? Locate on a New Testament map. Matthew 26:6



9. What other family did Jesus often visit in Bethany? John 11:1
10. Who approached Jesus while He was in the home of Simon the Leper? What special act of love was presented to Jesus? Matthew 26:7
11. Who was the woman that anointed Jesus' head? John 12:3

### III. THE ATTITUDE OF THE DISCIPLES: MATTHEW 26:8-9

12. What was the reaction of the disciples' to this special anointing? Matthew 26:8a
13. What reason did the disciples give for their reaction to the anointing? Matthew 26:8b-9

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14. How expensive was the ointment? John 12:5b
15. Why do you think Mary gave a year worth of wages on Jesus?
16. Who appears to have instigated the objection of the disciples? Why? John 12:4-6

### IV. THE ACCEPTANCE OF JESUS: MATTHEW 26:10-13

17. How did Jesus defend Mary's action? Matthew 26:10a
18. What did Jesus think of what Mary had done? Matthew 26:10b
19. How did Jesus correct the disciples' thinking about helping the poor? Matthew 26:11
20. Do you think Jesus' statement indicated a lack of concern for the poor? Explain your answer. (Look at Jesus' mission as recorded in Luke 4:18-19.)
21. What was the purpose of the anointment of Jesus by Mary? Matthew 26:12
22. Do you think Mary understood her act of anointment? Why or why not? Discuss.
23. What did Jesus say about the perpetual memory of this act of love and kindness? Matthew 26:13
24. How have Jesus' words in Matthew 26:13 been fulfilled?