

Passion Predictions: In Memory of Her
Deuteronomy 15:10-11; Mark 14:3-9
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- I. Introduction: A real church division
- II. Series: Passion Predictions
- III. The situation (Mark 14:3-7)
 - A. An unnamed woman anoints Jesus
 - 1. “Costly ointment of nard” (14:3)
 - 2. “Broke open the jar” (14:3)
 - B. “Some” criticize her (14:4-5)
 - C. Jesus praises her (14:6,9)
- IV. Why does Jesus praise her? (Mark 14:8)
 - A. Passion prediction (14:8)
 - B. “She has done what she could” (14:8)
 - C. She acts appropriately for death
- V. What about the poor? (Deut. 15:10-11; Mark 14:7)
 - A. Jesus references Deut. 15:11
 - B. In the larger context of caring for the poor
 - 1. Give generously (15:10-11)
 - 2. Emphatic Hebrew
 - 3. Importance of both act and attitude (15:10)
- VI. What about us?
 - A. In context honor Jesus
 - 1. Know your context
 - 2. Know Jesus
 - B. Extravagant responses are allowed
 - C. Because God gives extravagantly
- VII. Conclusion: Did the church use the text correctly?