

Questions on John chapter 12

1. Upon what day and why did Jesus most probably arrive in Bethany? Verse 1.
2. In whose honor was the supper at Simon the Leper's house? Verse 2.
3. What is spikenard (nard, American Standard Version), where does it come from, and how expensive is it? What do you think is the significance of anointing both head and feet, and of Mary's wiping the feet of Jesus with her hair? Verse 3.
4. Was Judas the only one who objected to the anointing? Verses 4-5.
5. What was the "bag" that Judas carried? Did Jesus know Judas was stealing? If he did, why did he allow him to continue with the disciples? Verse 6.
6. Why did Mary do such an extravagant thing? Verse 7.

7. Why did Jesus say “but me ye have not always”? Verse 8.

8. For what two reasons did much people of the Jews (common people, American Standard Version) come to Simon’s house? Verse 9.

9. Why did the chief priests have a conference? Verse 10.

10. Why did the chief priests plan to kill Lazarus? Verse 11.

11. If it was late Saturday evening (after the Sabbath) when the supper at Simon’s house was held, on what day of the week did Jesus enter Jerusalem? Verse 12.

12. Can you think of any incident that may have caused such excitement toward Jesus as he entered Jerusalem? Verse 13.

13. Why did Jesus choose a donkey on which to make his triumphal entry into Jerusalem instead of a horse? Verse 14.

14. Where is the prophecy predicting his entry upon the colt to be found? Verse 15.

15. Why didn't the disciples understand the nature of the reign of Christ and his kingdom? When did they understand it? Verse 16.

16. What two miracles are said to have caused the multitude to bear record concerning the power of Jesus and the significance of this occasion? Verse 17.

17. Was the multitude before Jesus or with him? Verse 18.

18. How do you think the Pharisees felt seeing the worship and adoration that Jesus received? Verse 19.

19. Were these Greeks merely Greek-speaking Jews or Gentiles who spoke Greek? Verse 20.

20. Why do you suppose they approached Philip and not one of the other disciples and what was their request? Verse 21.

21. Do you have any idea why Philip went to Andrew and then they went together to Jesus with the request? Verse 22.

22. What did the glorification of Jesus have to do with Greeks and other Gentiles? Verse 23.

23. In these puzzling words of Jesus, what was necessary for glorification to take place? Verse 24.

24. Although these words were spoken primarily concerning Jesus himself, what principle has universal application? Verse 25.

25. What must we do to be a disciple of Jesus and what will be our reward if we do? Verse 26.

26. Why is the Lord troubled and what problem does he face that we face also? Verse 27.

27. How had the Father glorified his name and how will he glorify it again? Verse 28.

28. What were the impressions of the multitude about the miraculous manifestation of the Father? Verse 29.

29. If the Father did not speak for Jesus' benefit, how could it benefit the multitude if they didn't understand it as language? Verse 30.

30. Who is the prince of this world and how shall he be cast out? Verse 31.

31. What is meant by Jesus being “lifted up” and how will he draw all men unto himself? Verses 32-33.

32. How did the multitude think Jesus had nullified his claim to be the Christ? Verse 34.

33. What is the light Jesus speaks of? Verse 35.

34. Why should the hearers of Jesus make haste to seize the opportunity? Verse 36.

35. What was the people’s response to the many miracles of Jesus? Verse 37.

36. What is the answer to the two rhetorical questions posed by Isaiah? Verse 38.

37. Why could the Jews not believe? Were they under a divine decree or some irresistible edict? Verse 39.

38. How did God blind their eyes and harden their hearts? Was it by a direct act or some other way? Verse 40.

39. How long before Jesus came into the world did Isaiah see his glory? Verse 41.

40. Were the chief rulers who believed on Jesus saved? Is this a case of salvation by faith only? Verse 42.

41. Why didn't the chief rulers who believed on Jesus confess him? Verse 43.

42. How is believing on Jesus believing on his Father also? Verse 44.

43. What is tantamount to seeing the one who sent Jesus? Verse 45.

44. What does it mean to “abide in darkness”? Verse 46.

45. Did Jesus come into the world to judge (condemn) the world? Won't Jesus be the judge at the last day? Verse 47.

46. What will be the standard of judgment at the last day? Verse 48.

47. What was the source of Jesus' teaching? Verse 49.

48. How is the commandment of God “life everlasting”? Verse 50.