



The Gospel of John

Session Twenty-Four: The Plot to Kill Jesus

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN THE PLOT TO KILL JESUS

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

JOHN 11:45-57

1. JESUS'S FOLLOWERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR _____—NOT CONTROLLING THE _____.

John 11:45-48

2. EVEN PLANS THAT _____ GOD ULTIMATELY ACCOMPLISH HIS _____.

John 11:49-53

3. RELIGIOUS _____ IS NOT THE SAME AS PREPARING TO _____ JESUS.

John 11:54-57

APPLY

Jesus called Lazarus out of the tomb with the power of his voice—“Lazarus, come out!” Where might Jesus be calling you from death to life today—whether spiritually, emotionally, or relationally?

READING PLAN

- Monday- John 11:1-16
- Tuesday- John 11:17-27
- Wednesday- John 11:28-37
- Thursday- John 11:38-44
- Friday- John 11:45-57

Have you ever felt like specific people or events work to disrupt God's good plans in your or someone else's life? Caiaphas plotted in opposition to Jesus, and yet his own prophecy (also found in Isaiah 53:8; John 4:42; 10:16) remind us that even the darkest days and most wicked of plans cannot disrupt the sovereign plans of our Lord. How should this motivate and encourage you to live?



LOOKING TO NEXT WEEK...

LESSON #25

JESUS ANOINTED AT BETHANY

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

JOHN 12:1-11

THE LESSON AT A GLANCE

In today's text, Jesus and His disciples returned to Bethany to the home of Martha and Mary. A dinner party was thrown, and Lazarus and Jesus were the guests of honor.

Martha served the meal and Lazarus dined with Jesus. Mary appeared, broke open an expensive bottle of perfume, and poured it on Jesus's feet. She then wiped them with her hair. Jesus commended her extravagant expression of worship even as Judas criticized it.

As the town drew near to marvel at Lazarus, alive and well, the Pharisees doubled down on their efforts. They not only plotted against Jesus, but Lazarus too.

The direction of our hearts determines the direction of our lives. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus pointed their hearts toward Jesus, and rejoiced in Him. Judas pointed his heart toward greed, and that choice would ultimately cost him his life. The Pharisees pointed their hearts toward death and would experience their own destruction. Direction determines destiny.

THE MAIN IDEA

Mary's anointing of Jesus's feet foreshadowed His death and revealed the kind of wholehearted devotion Jesus is worthy of.

QUESTIONS TO EXPLORE

What would it look like for you to live as Mary modeled in this passage?

