The GOSPEL of MARK

Our Call to Discipleship

Kingdom Inauguration: A Beautiful Thing

Mark 14:1-11

PASTOR'S PRAYER

Almighty Father in Heaven, you are worthy of all glory, honor and praise. Blessed be your holy name. Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they exist and were created. And worthy is the Lamb, our LORD Jesus the Christ, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing! Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb! All blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to you our God forever and ever! Grant your Spirit to come this morning and stir us to know and love the good, the beautiful and the true as we gaze at our Savior, Jesus Christ our King. May our hearts be captivated by His glory and worth and may our lives reflect the rightful lavish devotion to Him they were made to display. Help us see how foolishly it is when we turn away from your beauty and live for our own empty, passing glory and kingdom and give us faith to trust Christ alone as our soul's full satisfaction and joy this morning as we look together at your Word and as we go into this week ahead. Amen.

OUTLINE

- 1. The Leaders' Plot (vv. 1-2)
- 2. The Woman's Devotion (vv. 3-9)
- 3. The Disciple's Betrayal (vv. 10-11)

Central Textual Truth

Jesus calls His disciples to lavish devotion to Himself.

Central Sermon Aim

I want SGBC to follow Christ with lavish devotion.