

**STARK  
CONTRASTS**

**MATTHEW 26:6-13**

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**6 Now when Jesus was in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper,**

**7 There came unto him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on his head, as he sat at meat.**

**8 But when his disciples saw it, they had indignation, saying, To what purpose is this waste?**

**9 For this ointment might have been sold for much, and given to the poor.**

**10 When Jesus understood it, he said unto them, Why trouble ye the woman? for she hath wrought a good work upon me.**

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**11 For ye have the poor always with you; but me ye have not always.**

**12 For in that she hath poured this ointment on my body, she did it for my burial.**

**13 Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached in the whole world, there shall also this, that this woman hath done, be told for a memorial of her.**

# **I. Adoration Versus Acrimony**

## **B. The acrimony of the disciples**

### **1. Based on the wrong person**

**John 12:4-5**

**4 Then saith one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, which should betray him,**

**5 Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred pence, and given to the poor?**

### **2. Leads to a wrong perspective**

### **3. Ends in a bigger problem**

## **II. Action Versus Ability**

### **A. The woman did what she set out to do**

**James 4:17**

**Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.**

### **B. The disciples complained about what might have been done**

**Matthew 25:45**

**Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me.**

# **III. Acceptance Versus Advisement**

## **A. The woman commended**

**1. For her adoration**

**2. For her action**

## **B. The disciples corrected**

**1. For their acrimony**

**2. For their lack of action**

**Contrast Your Life  
In The Light Of Christ**