



## DISCIPLESHIP GROUP STUDY

### WEEK 6: JOHN 11-13

#### WARM UP

- There is a lot of talk about “love” in our world today (e.g. TV, songs, media). In your opinion, how accurate is the way you see “love” being described? And how much love do you actually see in action?
- Take a moment to list your “loves” in order (at least your top five). What has your greatest affection?

#### STUDY

*[For context, read or summarise John 11, where Jesus raises Lazarus, Mary’s brother, from the dead.]*

**1) Read John 12:1-3.** This is an extravagant act of sacrificial love by Mary. What does this say about Mary’s love order? Try to place this act in the context of your own life... what could be remotely equivalent to this?

**2) Read Luke 10:38-42.** This is another example of Mary’s love order in action. To what extent are you choosing “the better thing” in your own life?

**3) Read John 12:4-6.** Judas' "loves" are all out of order. What's going on for him? Is there any situation in which your "objections" might reveal a disordered heart? (even if they have a "righteous" veneer to them)

**4) Read 1 Timothy 6:6-10.** Is there any "love" in your life that might be leading you away from your love for God?

**5) Read John 13:1-18.** What do you find remarkable about this act of love by Jesus?

**6)** What practically could you do for others to love with the kind of love displayed by Jesus here?

## **BRING IT HOME**

Having Jesus as our first love (and having other people as our second) involves a number of different aspects of ourselves. Look at the following list and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you any steps you need to take today:

- Worship & Adoration
- Obedience
- Prayer & Intercession
- Service