

# PUT IT INTO PRACTICE. ✓

**Ice Breaker:** What's something culture values that's really not worth it?

**Read:** Mark 14:1-9; Romans 12:1-2

## Discussion Questions:

- Opening Thoughts
  - Think about something you consider extremely valuable (i.e. time, money, relationships, reputation). How do you usually protect or invest it?
  - How does what we value most naturally shape how we live, spend, and prioritize our lives?
  - As you read Mark 14:1–9, what emotions, reactions, or tensions stand out to you in the scene?
  - How would you define worship?
- Show Up (Mark 14:1-3)
  - What does it reveal about the woman's heart that she intentionally came into the room where Jesus was?
  - In what ways does simply "showing up" demonstrate devotion in our relationship with Christ?
  - What are some practical ways people can show up consistently for Jesus in their daily lives (even when unnoticed)?
  - What barriers most often keep us from showing up fully — fear, busyness, or something else?
- Sacrifice (Mark 14:4–5)
  - Why do you think the woman's act of pouring expensive perfume was criticized rather than celebrated?
  - What does this reaction reveal about how people often measure value differently than God does?
  - How do we sometimes justify withholding sacrificial worship by labeling it "wasteful" or "unnecessary"?
  - What might sacrificial worship look like today in terms of time, talents, or treasure?
- Serve (Mark 14:6–8)
  - Why do you think Jesus defended the woman's actions so strongly?
  - How can humble service be an act of worship when no recognition is given?
  - In what ways can serving others help shift our focus from ourselves to Christ?
- Closing Thoughts: Surrender (Mark 14:9; Romans 12:1–2)
  - Romans 12:1 calls believers to offer their bodies as a "living sacrifice." What does that mean in practical terms?
  - Pastor Efrem mentioned that "The most expensive item you can present to God is you." What makes complete surrender so costly (and powerful)?
  - What is one area of your life where God may be inviting you to deeper surrender, and what is one simple but intentional step you can take this week to live out worship beyond church services?
  - How can this group support one another in practicing worship as a daily lifestyle?

