# **DISCUSSION GUIDE**

SUNDAY MAY 12

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# **Sunday Worship Service**

10AM In-Person and Online

# May 19 Beyond Offering

Partner with us as we give our annual offering for foreign and local missions!

#### May 26 Fellowship at the Park

Grab lunch after service and join us for fellowship at the park (Park TBD)

June 9 Graduation Sunday

# **OUR MISSION**

Love God.

Live Change.

Light the Way.

## **OUR VALUES**

#### God's Word: is our Narrative

We discover who God is and how we participate in his story.

# Love: is our Calling

We honor and value one another above ourselves.

## Serving: is our Passion

We do everything with zeal and ownership.

#### **Prayer: is our Priority**

We pray as our first response, not our last resort.

## Hospitality: is our Mission

We seek opportunities to share what God has given us.



# **BEYOND OFFERING**

Once a year we provide a special opportunity to go above and beyond in our generosity during our annual Beyond Offering. This year we are giving on **Sunday May 19** through **Saturday August 31**. If you've never participated in this special endeavor, please prayerfully consider joining with us as we forge the way forward. God is moving among us in our church and beyond. We are so thankful for your generosity. Lighthouse would not be what is without you! You can download our Beyond Offering outline on our website for more information.

# **ONLINE GIVING**

You can give either a one-time gift or setup re-occurring giving that fits your personal pay schedule using PushPay. There are two ways you can do this. You can go to lighthousecoc.com and click the "give" button or you can text **LCOC** to **77977** and you will receive a text message with directions to follow. Finally, you can also write a check to Lighthouse Church and mail it to 3508 East Temple Way, West Covina, CA 91791. Thank you so much for investing into the mission of Jesus Christ!

# **PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Mark Ramirez** Please pray for healing for his health complications.

Amira Angulo Please pray for Amira to make a full recovery from surgery.

Andy Harrison Please pray that God would completely heal his kidneys.

**Ruben Narvaez** Please pray that God would heal him of cancer.

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# **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

## **Conversation Starter**

- What is your love language? What is God's love language?
- How can we as a group pray for our Beyond Offering?

## **Sermon Reflection**

Take a moment as a group to reflect on the following questions:

- · What stood out to you from the message this week?
- What encouraged you or challenged you from the message?
- · You can download our Mark Journal at lighthousecoc.com

# **Sermon Discussion**

• Read Mark 14:3-9 (Mark 12:28-31, Matthew 6:19-24)

#### 1. Unashamed Devotion

- Even in the face of criticism and rebuke, Mary, with her alabaster jar, chose to step out in faith and worship Jesus by pouring out a year's worth of salary. We, too, can live a life completely devoted to God and push past the voices that tell us we are crazy for loving and worshipping so lavishly.
- Q: How does this woman's bold, lavish, and extravagant act of worship in Mark 14 personally challenge your faith? Why?
- Q: Why do you think the people around her criticized her?
- Q: Have you ever been criticized for serving God? How has your consistent devotion silenced those voices?
- Q: Your sacrifice without your story will not make sense. How does your story correlate with your willingness to sacrifice?

## 2. Unrelenting Surrender

- The woman with the alabaster jar didn't just pour out the perfume, it was broken out. In the same way, God wants our hearts to be broken before him too (2 Corinthians 4:7-11).
   Surrender is about letting go and giving in to who God is.
- Q: What does unrelenting surrender mean to you? What area(s) of your life do you need to surrender over to Jesus?
- FAITH IN ACTION: How will your expression of your love for God change? The next time you spend time with God, write down a variety of ways you can love him differently. Ask him how your expression of surpassing love for him can translate here on earth through your mind, heart, and strength.