

Sunday morning, July 3, 2016

Do You See What I See?

Matthew 26:6–13

- I. The perceptive eye of the woman Matthew 26:6–7, 12; Mark 14:3, 8; John 12:3, 7
Even in her silence the woman's actions ask the thoughtful question, "Do you see what I see?"

- II. The untrained eye of the disciples Matthew 26:8–9; Mark 14:4–5; John 12:4–6
They not only do not see what she sees, but they foolishly despise her actions.
 - A. What they do see makes them right in their own eyes

 - B. What they miss makes them wrong in their Lord's eyes

- III. The eye exam and prescription of Jesus Matthew 26:10–13; Mark 14:6–8; John 12:7–8
The great physician censors his disciples and helps them to see what she sees.
 - A. Corrective lenses for the disciples to counteract their worldly view

 - B. Protective lenses for the woman to preserve her spiritual view

- IV. What the eye of faith continues to see
In what way we follow the woman in what she sees.
 - A. The extraordinary service of the woman is not our pattern.

 - B. The ordinary service of the woman is our pattern.
 - 1. We grasp by divine intervention our reasonable service to God in Christ – Romans 12:1–2

 - 2. We grasp by divine love our service to each other as service done to Christ – Matthew 25:40, 45

Quote

When he says that she will be held in honorable remembrance throughout the whole world, by this comparison he indirectly censures his disciples; for among strangers, and in distant parts of the world, all nations, with one consent, will applaud this action, which the members of his own household condemned with such bitterness. —John Calvin