

打破玉瓶，萬世流芳

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主題經文：3 耶穌在伯大尼長大痲瘋的西門家裏坐席的時候，有一個女人拿著一玉瓶至貴的真哪噠香膏來，打破玉瓶，把膏澆在耶穌的頭上。4 有幾個人心中很不喜悅，說：「何用這樣枉費香膏呢？5 這香膏可以賣三十多兩銀子調濟窮人。」他們就向那女人生氣。6 耶穌說：「由她吧！為甚麼難為她呢？她在我身上做的是一件美事... 8 她所做的，是盡她所能的；她是為我安葬的事把香膏預先澆在我身上。9 我實在告訴你們，普天之下，無論在甚麼地方傳這福音，也要述說這女人所做的，以為記念。」(可 14:3-9)

背誦經文：37...「你要盡心、盡性、盡意愛主—你的神。38 這是誠命中的第一，且是最大的。39 其次也相做，就是要愛人如己。40 這兩條誠命是律法和先知一切道理的總綱。」(太 22:37-40)

一. 在主眼中的美事：抓住機會、獻上最好給主

1. 機會在時間裡面：要會「趁著」
2. 盡心、盡力愛主乃理所當然 - 即使人以為是「枉費」：為你我捨性命

二. 福音的另一面：人竟然可以來滿足神

1. 神總是悅納並賜福在愛中甘心獻上最好的人
2. 主要求在普天之下傳說「這福音」，以為記念

三. 教會在奉獻上的學習與見證

1. 是當納的，也是當獻的

10 萬軍之耶和華說：你們要將當納的十分之一全然送入倉庫，使我家有糧，以此試試我，是否為你們敞開天上的窗戶，傾福與你們，甚至無處可容。(瑪 3:10)

2. 是蒙福的、也是榮神益人的途徑與見證

a) 造會幕時

摩西傳命...在全營中...說：「無論男女，不必再為聖所拿甚麼禮物來。」這樣才攔住百姓不再拿禮物來。7 因為他們所有的材料夠做一切當做的物，而且有餘。(出 36:6)

b) 建聖殿時

5...大衛在未死之先預備的材料甚多...14 我在困難之中為耶和華的殿預備了金子十萬他連得，銀子一百萬他連得，銅和鐵多得無法可稱...(代上 22:5, 14)

c) 寡婦的兩個小錢

41 耶穌對銀庫坐著，看眾人怎樣投錢入庫。有好些財主往裏投了若干的錢。42 有一個窮寡婦來，往裏投了兩個小錢，就是一個大錢。43 耶穌叫門徒來，說：「我實在告訴你們，這窮寡婦投入庫裏的，比眾人所投的更多。44 因為，他們都是自己有多餘，拿出來投在裏頭；但這寡婦是自己不足，把她一切養生的都投上了。」(可 12:41-44)

3. 合神心意的奉獻

a. 甘心 (林後 8:12, 9:7)

- 因為人若有願做的心，必蒙悅納，乃是照他所有的，並不是照他所無的 (林後 8:12) / 各人要照本心所酌定的，不要作難，不要勉強，因為捐得樂意的人是神所喜愛的。(林後 9:7)
- 弟兄們，我把 神賜給馬其頓眾教會的恩告訴你們，² 就是他們在患難中受大試煉的時候，仍有滿足的快樂，在極窮之間還格外顯出他們樂捐的厚恩。³ 我可以證明，他們是按著力量，而且也過了力量，自己甘心樂意地捐助，⁴ 再三地求我們，准他們在這供給聖徒的恩情上有分；⁵ 並且他們所做的，不但照我們所想要的，更照 神的旨意先把自己獻給主，又歸附了我們。(林後 8:1-5)

b. 盡心 (太 22:37-38, 可 22:30; 約壹 3:21-22)

²¹ 親愛的弟兄啊，我們的心若不責備我們，就可以向 神坦然無懼了。²² 並且我們一切所求的，就從祂得著；因為我們遵守祂的命令，行祂所喜悅的事。(約壹 3:21-22)

c. 信心 (可 9:23; 林後 1:20; 腓 4:19)

- 耶穌對他說：「你若能信，在信的人，凡事都能。」 (可 9:23)
- 神的應許，不論有多少，在基督都是是的。所以藉著祂也都是實在的，叫 神因我們得榮耀。(林後 1:20)
- ¹⁹ 我的 神必照祂榮耀的豐富，在基督耶穌裏，使你們一切所需用的都充足。²⁰ 願榮耀歸給我們的父 神，直到永永遠遠。阿們！ (腓 4:19)

Breaking the Alabaster Jar and Let the Fragrance Flow for All Generations

Key verses: ³ And being in Bethany at the house of Simon the leper, as He sat at the table, a woman came having an alabaster flask of very costly oil of spikenard. Then she broke the flask and poured *it* on His head. ⁴ But there were some who were indignant among themselves, and said, “Why was this fragrant oil wasted? ⁵ For it might have been sold for more than three hundred denarii and given to the poor.” And they criticized her sharply.

⁶ But Jesus said, “Let her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has done a good work for Me. ⁷ For you have the poor with you always, and whenever you wish you may do them good; but Me you do not have always. ⁸ She has done what she could. She has come beforehand to anoint My body for burial. ⁹ Assuredly, I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be told as a memorial to her.” (Mark 14:3-9)

Memorization Verses: ³⁷ Jesus said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ ³⁸ This is *the* first and great

commandment. ³⁹ And *the* second *is* like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ ⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.” (Matt 22:37-40)

1. A good thing in the eyes of the Lord: Seize every opportunity and offer the best to the Lord
 - a. Opportunities are in time: Be able to take advantage of it
 - b. Loving the Lord with all of our heart and strength is more than reasonable – even if others think it is a “waste”: He laid down his life for you and me
2. The other side of the gospel: Man can actually satisfy God.
 - a. God always accepts and blesses those who are willing to give their best out of love
 - b. The Lord required that “this gospel” be preached throughout the world as a memorial
3. The practice and testimony of the church regarding offerings
 - a. Tithe and offerings

Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and try Me now in this,” says the Lord of hosts, “ If I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it. (Mal 3:10)
 - b. It’s a blessing - the pathway and testimony to glorify God and blessings to man
 - i. When building of the Tabernacle

⁶ So Moses gave a commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, “Let neither man nor woman do any more work for the offering of the sanctuary.” And the people were restrained from bringing, ⁷ for the material they had was sufficient for all the work to be done—indeed too much. (Ex 36:6-7)
 - ii. When building the Temple

⁵ Now David said, “Solomon my son *is* young and inexperienced, and the house to be built for the LORD *must be* exceedingly magnificent, famous and glorious throughout all countries. I will now make preparation for it.” So David made abundant preparations before his death. ... ¹⁴ Indeed I have taken much trouble to prepare for the house of the LORD one hundred thousand talents of gold and one million talents of silver, and bronze and iron beyond measure, for it is so abundant. I have prepared timber and stone also, and you may add to them. (1 Chron 22:5,14)
 - iii. The widow’s two mites

⁴¹ Now Jesus sat opposite the treasury and saw how the people put money into the treasury. And many *who were* rich put in much. ⁴² Then one poor widow came and threw in two mites, which make a quadrans. ⁴³ So He called His disciples to *Himself* and said to them, “Assuredly, I say to you that this poor widow has put in more than all those who have given to the treasury; ⁴⁴ for they all put in out of their

abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all that she had, her whole livelihood.” (Mark 12:41-44)

c. Offering according to God’s heart

i. Willing heart (2 Cor 8:12; 9:7)

¹² For if there is first a willing mind, *it is* accepted according to what one has, *and* not according to what he does not have. (2 Cor 8:12)

⁷ *So let* each one *give* as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Cor 9:7)

Moreover, brethren, we make known to you the grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia: ² that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded in the riches of their liberality. ³ For I bear witness that according to *their* ability, yes, and beyond *their* ability, *they were* freely willing, ⁴ imploring us with much urgency that we would receive the gift and the fellowship of the ministering to the saints. ⁵ And not *only* as we had hoped, but they first gave themselves to the Lord, and *then* to us by the will of God. (2 Cor 8:1-5)

ii. With all of our heart (Matt 22:37-28; Mark 22:30; 1 John 3:21-22)

²¹ Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence toward God. ²² And whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight. (1 John 3:21-22)

iii. By Faith (Mark 9:23; 2 Cor 1:20; Phil 4:19)

²³ Jesus said to him, “If you can believe, all things *are* possible to him who believes.” (Mark 9:23)

²⁰ For all the promises of God in Him *are* Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us. (2 Cor 1:20)

¹⁹ And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. ²⁰ Now to our God and Father *be* glory forever and ever. Amen. (Phil 4:19-20)