

**John 12:5~** Why was it this perfumed oil was not sold for three hundred denarii,<sup>1</sup> and given to the poor people?

**Footnote:** About \$260 with silver valued at \$7 (U.S.) per ounces troy See Appendix 8A

**1·** So Judas complained, that this expensive perfumed oil should have been sold for three hundred denarii, which was nearly a year's wages for a common laborer then, and the proceeds then could be given to the poor among them.

**[Question]** What did Judas then complain should have been done with this resource, for what value did it represent?

**2·** On seeing this the disciples became indignant and said; Why this waste? (**Matthew 26:8**)

**[Question]** What did some of Jesus disciples then complain about?

**3·** At this there were some expressing indignation among themselves; Why has this waste of the **perfumed oil** taken place? (**Mark 14:4**)

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**[Question]** What did some of Jesus' disciples feel, that this pouring out of the oil was?

**5·** Jesus said to him; If you want to be perfect, go sell your belongings and give to the **poor**, and you will have treasure in heaven, and come be my follower. (**Matthew 19:21**)

**[Question]** What did Jesus tell a rich young ruler of the people, to do with his belongings, before becoming his disciple?

**6·** For this **perfumed oil** could have been **sold** for upward of **three hundred denarii**, and been **given** to the **poor**! And they were feeling great displeasure at her. (**Mark 14:5**)

**[Question]** What could the oil have been sold for then, and what did this amount represent?

- 7· **Do not become righteous overmuch, nor show yourself excessively wise. Why should you cause desolation to yourself? (Ecclesiastes 7:16)**

**[Question]** What does the congregator tell us not to become overmuch, for what will result if we do?

- 8· **For this could have been sold for a great deal, and been given to poor people. (Matthew 26:9)**

**[Question]** What complaint did Judas raise, over what he considered to be a waste of a valuable resource?