



Gospel of John

3-12-23

12a Why Wasn't This Sold? – Love Jesus

12:24 “Unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed

12b If It Dies

- 13 I Will Come Again
- 14 Peace I Leave with You
- 15 Remain In Me
- April 9 *Happy Easter*
- 16 When the Spirit Comes
- 17 I Pray
- 18a I Am He
- 18b I Find No Fault
- 19 It Is Finished
- 20 Reach Out Your Hand
- 21 Do You Love Me?



John the Evangelist & Peter
by Albrecht Dürer (1526)

Love LORD's Field

Jerusalem—NEAR time for Passover ...

Jews sent out All-Points Bulletin –

Report Jesus!

Jesus' **LAST HOUR** coming – fewer & fewer **LOVE** Him



Gonna use bits from a 1982 message of by S.M. Lockridge

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**From 1953 to 1993 – 40 Years –
known across U.S. & World**

THIS Message ... is one that ...

EVERYONE should hear

You can hear it on YouTube

**Sadly ... only a few his messages
have made it to the internet**



at least once



Jesus as LORD ...

S.M. Lockridge 1982



I've come to say today that in these days

When we're killing ourselves trying to live

People still think they can find

Peace of mind in **PILLS**

They try to eat their way to **ECSTASY**

They try to drink their way to **PLEASURE**

They try to smoke their way to settled **NERVES**

They try to puff their way to **POPULARITY**

and push their way to **POWER**

They try to bully their way to **FRIENDSHIP**

and bum their way to **WORLD PEACE**

I've come to say today, that in these days when



Remember ... Disciples have NOT the *Spirit* YET
WHAT Jesus tells all and the disciples

NO ONE can fully understand

Do you FULLY grasp *ETERNITY*?

YOU have the *Spirit* ... that bares with YOUR spirit ...

They are in the **Dark** ... as Jesus IS the **Light** ...

“Seed” DYING for a Harvest – a **Vision of Spiritual Kingdom**

WE do NOT FULLY get today ... they had a greater trouble

Jesus is giving them PIECES of Eternity ...

Portions of the Spiritual Kingdom as LORD ...

Disciples CAN only grasp pieces ... and HOPE



John 12 Outline by J. Vernon Magee

1-11 Jesus to Bethany for Supper

12-19 Jesus to Jerusalem Triumphant

20-26 **Jesus to Greeks**

Hour Not Come ... Wheat Seed to Crop
Where I am, my servant also

27-36 **Jesus comes to His Hour**

For This Hour Come - Voice from Heaven
When I am Lifted Up
You Have Light Only a LITTLE Longer

37-50 **Jesus on End of Public Ministry**

After Signs, Still Many Do NOT Believe
Yet Many Do Believe...
Who Looks at ME, Sees One who Sent

John 12 – Hard to SEE
WHY? Couldn't Jesus
have just said:

*Gonna DIE for your SINS
before Passover & RISE
from dead on Sunday*

I am CERTAIN the “**SIN**”
part escaped them

RISE Part very Likeable
BUT WHY? WHY? WHY?

To us ... it's all CLEAR

Three Sections show
Jesus as **LORD & Light**

yet the connectedness between these is foggy at best – All Spiritual

Remember – Jesus KNOWS his beloved disciples

BARELY Grasp ... yet they LOVE Jesus

Jesus HAS been Healing ... they BELIEVE

Jesus is LOOKING ahead in these next few chapters

Jesus Knows His Mission ... KNOWS many are going to leave

Jesus KNOWS the Cross is LESS than 11 days away ...

Chapters 12 to 18 – more Pictures/Metaphors on ETERNITY

Jesus as LORD ... preparing them ... who CANNOT fully grasp

And now the END is here so I face the FINAL curtain

My friend ... I'll make it clear

State my case ... of which I'm certain



John 12 Jesus' Last *Family* Meal in
Bethany with Mary, Martha, Lazarus
Mary washes Jesus' feet w perfume
FAMOUS "Last Supper" in a few days
But NO ONE Loves Jesus as
he was **LOVED** in Bethany
Women are highlighted at his
Best Time ... at Cross at *Worst* Time
After Triumphal Entry to Jerusalem
Jesus' Last Day in which the MOST
People LOVE him on Earth



Jesus as LORD ... S.M. Lockridge 1982



But I've come today to say

I know where a poor man has a CHANCE

Where a sick man can get WELL

Where an ignorant man can become WISE

A bad man can be made GOOD

A good man be made BETTER

And even a dead man can be made ALIVE

It's in Jesus Christ



I've come to say today, that in these days when

John 12:1-19 Jesus' Loved by Most People ...

John 12:20 Jesus Loved by Greeks

Why did Jesus perform **MIRACLES**?

- ✓ He **LOVED** them **AND** so they may **BELIEVE**
- ✓ Jesus does **NOT** Demand anything
- ✓ Like the 38-year paralytic ... did not even **KNOW** Jesus
- ✓ Blind Man just WASHED ... **HEALING** Draws People

John 12:20 Greeks went up to worship at Passover

21 They ask Philip, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus."

23 Jesus replied, "Hour has come for the

Son of Man to be **GLORIFIED**



John 12:24 Jesus Glorified in his DEATH

- ✓ Jesus is being Glorified by People
- ✓ But Jesus does NOT count this ...
- ✓ Jesus explains ... HARD to grasp

What is **JESUS Feeling** at this time?

I do not believe he EVER Felt as LOVED as he did at that
Dinner at Simon the Leper's with Mary & Martha

- ✓ FEW Loved Jesus like Mary & Martha & Lazarus
- ✓ FEW got it ... only Mary prepared for Jesus' burial
- ✓ That Last *Family* Supper was his DEAREST
- ✓ AT Passover "Last Supper"—Jesus washed **THEIR** Feet



John 12:24 Jesus Glorified in his DEATH

NOT JUST the Miracles to HELP People BELIEVE

But it was HOW Jesus performed the Miracles

Last week we gave an overview of Jesus' WORK

Miracles Galilee to Judea ... yet Jesus could've CHARGED

✓ **Jesus would've become the Richest Man on Earth**

✓ **Jesus could've become the literal Emperor of the Earth**

12:24 Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat FALLS

to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed.

But if it DIES, it produces MANY SEEDS

Jesus came for a very specific MISSION: Save People



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Jesus Christ is **LORD** ...

Now this word "**LORD**" means

Having Power or Authority



Other instances of “SEED” Story & Parable

Mark 4:1-9 – on the sea shore tells Farmer Parable

SEED fell along the path ... birds ate

SEED fell on rocky places ... no soil, sun, withered

SEED fell among thorns ... which choked ... no grain

SEED fell on GOOD soil ... grew, crop, 30x, 60x, 100x

9 Jesus said, “Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear.”

Luke 13:18-19 – Mustard SEED Parable

Kingdom of God ... like a mustard seed ... planted ... It grew & became a tree, and the birds perched in its branches.”

Purpose of a SEED is to Produce

He Owns the Field



12:25 Anyone who loves their life will lose it,
while anyone who hates their life in this world
will keep it for Eternal Life.

26 Whoever serves me must follow me;
and where I am, my servant also will be.

My Father will honor the one who serves me.

You must understand that Jesus ALWAYS points to

God the FATHER

Jesus does NOT declare his Lordship ... He just IS LORD
Roman Emperor or U.S. President never says, *"I'm in Charge"*

AS LORD—He gives ETERNAL teaching to SERVANTS



**So very
UNWOKE
of Jesus**

Jesus as LORD ...

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LORD means ownership

His Lordship is based upon

The earth is the Lord's & th

the world & they that dw

For He hath foundeth upon

and established it upon

Now He didn't have to put a signature

in the Corner of a Sunrise

HE's the OWNER!



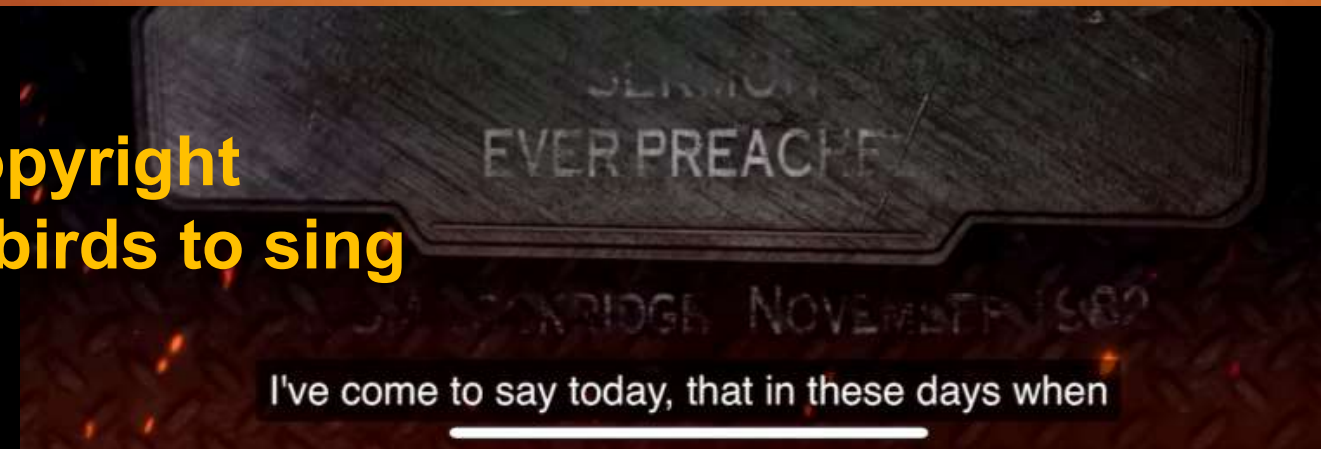
Jesus as LORD ... S.M. Lockridge

**He didn't have to put a laurel wreath
on the lapel of the meadow
HE's the **OWNER!****

**He didn't have to carve his initials
on the side of the mountain
HE's the **OWNER!****

**He didn't have to put a brand
on the cattle of thousand h
HE's the **OWNER!****

**He didn't have to take out a copyright
on the songs He gives the birds to sing
HE's the **OWNER!****



Philippians 2:9-11 ... Apostle Paul informs:

**9 Therefore God exalted Jesus to the highest place
and gave him the name above every name,**

**10 at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,**

**11 and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

Jesus ALWAYS points to Glorify

God the FATHER

**Jesus HEALED to help, aid, assist, convict people to BELIEVE
HOW Jesus healed ... showed HOW Jesus LOVED People**



**12:25 Anyone who loves their life will lose it,
while anyone who hates their life in this world
will keep it for Eternal Life.**

**26 Whoever serves me must follow me;
and where I am, my servant also will be.**

My Father will honor the one who serves me.

Jesus as LORD reflects solemnly on the FUTURE

Right After the LORD's BEST Last FAMILY Supper ...

Right After being BEST Loved LORD with a Triumphal Entry

Jesus KNOWS this is His Last 11 Days ... *gonna get ROUGH*

Jesus knew THEN much better than even we know today



**12:27 “Now my soul is troubled, what shall I SAY?
‘Father, save me from this hour’?**

**No, it was for this very reason
I came to this hour.**

28 Father, glorify YOUR NAME!”

**What a powerful submission ... LORD Jesus to His Father
Then a voice came from heaven,**

“I have glorified it and will glorify it again.”

**29 Crowd heard it said it had thundered
others said an angel had spoken to him.**



12:30 Jesus said,

“This voice was for your benefit, not mine.

**31 Now is the time for judgment on this world;
now the prince of this world will be driven out.**

**32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth,
will draw all people to myself.”**

33 He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

**34 Crowd spoke up, “We have heard from the Law that the
Messiah will remain forever, so how can you say,**

‘The Son of Man must be lifted up’?

Who is this ‘Son of Man’?”

WHO? ... Sarcastic? ... Sincere? ... Curious? ... Confused?



**12:35 Then Jesus told them,
“You are going to have the LIGHT
just a little while longer.**

**Walk while you have the LIGHT,
before darkness overtakes you.**

**Whoever walks in the dark
does not know where they are going.**

**36 Believe in the LIGHT while you have the LIGHT,
so that you may become children of LIGHT.”**

When Jesus finished ... He hid himself from them.

Jesus as LORD ... claims LITTLE ... just EXHIBITS Authority



Jesus as LORD ... S.M. Lockridge 1982

“Christ” represents the thing
God has done to redeem us

“LORD” represents what we OUGHT to do
because we ARE redeemed

Now, we OUGHT to call him **OWNER**

Because he possesses
absolutely our **LIVES**

In HIM we live and move
and have our **BEING**



I've come to say today, that in these days when

12:37 Even after Jesus had performed
so many signs in their presence,
they still would **NOT** believe in him.

38-30 Fulfilled word of Isaiah –
God blinded their eyes ...

42 Some believe ...

but afraid Pharisees would kick them out

43 for they loved human praise more than praise from God.

Fewer ... and Fewer ... and Fewer stay with Jesus

AS Jesus instructs on **ETERNITY** ... as **LIGHT** for 1 more week
the audience thins



12:44 Then Jesus cried out, “Whoever believes
in me does NOT believe in me only,
but in the One who sent me.

45 The one who looks at me
is seeing the one who sent me.

46 I have come into the world as a LIGHT, so that
no one who believes in me
should stay in darkness.

AS **Lord** ...

No *claims*—just the facts on Spiritual Truth & Eternal Destiny

AS **LORD** ... and clear **LIGHT**



**12:47 “If anyone hears my words but
does not keep them, I do not judge that person.
For I did not come to judge the world, but to**

Save the World



As His disciples struggled ...

As His audiences decrease ... disperse ...

As He began the WALK to His arrest ...

As He began to enter His HOUR of Travail ...

Jesus is Still LORD

Jesus WILLING Allowed His Arrest

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**If a man will open the door, I'll come in and
sup with him and he with ME**

Jesus Christ is LORD

Jesus is the Pearl from Paradise

He's the Gem from the Glory Land

He's truth's Fairest Jewel

and He's Time's Choicest Theme

He's Life's Strongest Call

and Light's Clearest Ray

He's Purity's Whitest Peak

He's Joy's Deepest Tide



Last three Verses of John 12

48 There is a Judge for the one who rejects me
and does not accept my words;
very words I have spoken
will condemn them at the

Last Day

49 For I did not speak on my own, but the Father who
sent me commanded me to say all that I have spoken.

50 I know that His command leads to Eternal Life. So,
whatever I say is just what the Father has told me to say.”

Jesus AS LORD on the way to Cross



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**His name stands as synonym for Free Healing
Friendly Help and Full Salvation**

**His Blessed Name is like Honey to the Taste
It's like Harmony to the Ear It's like Health to the Soul
It's like Hope to the Heart**

**He's Higher than the Heavens of Heavens
And He's Holier than the Holy of Holies**

**In His Birth, is our Significance
In His Life is our Example**

**In His Cross is our Redemption and
In His Resurrection is our Hope**



Last Verse of John 12

**50 I know that His command
leads to Eternal Life.**

**So, whatever I say is just what the
Father has told me to say.”**

Disciples LIKE Eternal Life ... but cannot grasp ALL

Jesus AS Lord ... continues to `POINT to Eternity

Lord & Owner of ALL Universe & Heaven

On the way to the Cross

