

# Holy-Week Consecration – Wednesday

Anointed in Preparation (Consecration of Surrender)

## Foundation Scriptures

- **Matthew 26:7 (KJV)**

*“There came unto him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on his head, as he sat at meat.”*

- **Mark 14:8 (KJV)**

*“She hath done what she could: she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying.”*

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## Bible Study

On Wednesday of Holy Week, Jesus is in Bethany when a woman approaches Him with an **alabaster box of very precious ointment**. What others considered waste, Jesus received as **worship**. Her act was not convenient—it was costly. It was not popular—it was prophetic.

Jesus declared, *“She hath done what she could”* (Mark 14:8). The Lord honored her because she gave **her best**, not what was left over. She recognized that Jesus was worthy of sacrifice before the cross ever came into view.

Her surrender teaches believers that **true consecration is costly, intentional, and Christ-centered**. She did not wait for perfect timing or public approval. She worshiped with urgency, humility, and devotion.

Just as the ointment was poured out, believers are called to pour out their hearts before the Lord in preparation for what God is doing. Consecration requires releasing pride, control, comfort, and anything that competes with wholehearted devotion to Christ.

The woman’s offering reminds us that **Jesus sees and receives every sincere act of surrender**. Even when others misunderstand your worship, Christ affirms your sacrifice. What is given to Jesus is never wasted.

As emphasized in weekly teaching/preaching moments, consecration positions believers to recognize the significance of Christ's sacrifice more deeply. Before resurrection power is celebrated, surrender prepares the heart.

### Key Encouraging Truths

- **Jesus is worthy of our best**
    - *“Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase”* (Proverbs 3:9)
  - **God values willing surrender**
    - *“The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart... thou wilt not despise”* (Psalm 51:17)
  - **True worship may be misunderstood by others**
    - *“For the LORD seeth not as man seeth”* (1 Samuel 16:7)
  - **Consecration prepares us for greater purpose**
    - *“Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God”* (Romans 12:1)
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### Main Idea

Consecration means giving Jesus our best now, trusting that surrendered worship prepares us for His greater purpose.

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### Practical Application

- Give Christ your **best time**, not leftover moments.
- Offer your **whole heart**, not partial obedience.
- Release what is **precious** if it honors Christ.
- Trust that **nothing surrendered to Jesus is wasted**.
- Worship even when others **do not understand your devotion**.