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SPONTANEOUS SERVICE

Matt. 21:28-32

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Why you present tonight? Wanted to? Felt had to?
Makes difference with Christ. Had feelings too. Heb. 4:15.

III: Spontaneous service is refreshing. Otherwise avails none
Christ experienced both in 31 A. D. Finds same till yet.

I SAMARITAN WOMAN WAS SOCIALLY ISOLATED. John 4.

1. A race of abusively rude people. Fed social conflict.
2. Made Christ no offer and argued. Repulsive. vs. 9
3. Near tragedy. Was talking to her Lord.
 - a. English king hunting-lost in storm in Scotland.
4. Jesus offered water. Example. Rewards: Matt. 10:40-42.

II LOWLY SAMARITAN VILLAGE REFUSED THE LORD OF GLORY.

1. An obstinate and impolite village at best. L. 9:54.
2. Accentuated the religious division between them.
3. No doubt curious, yet offended in being second best.
4. Christians often standoffish till stranger breaks ice.

III SIMON, THE HATEFUL HOST. Luke 7:36-50.

1. Invited Christ to a meal. Disgraced himself badly.
2. Mistake of not knowing guest better. Complete failure.
3. Christians serve Lord still according to how know Him.
4. Would serve each other better if knew each other better.

IV A WOMAN OF WEALTH AND PRESTIGE BOWED TO JESUS. J. 12:1-3.

1. Christ visited family of Bethany often. 11:1-5.
 - a. Lazarus sat. Attendance appreciated. Still, do more.
 - b. Martha served. Service commended. Still do more.
 - c. Mary truly worshipped. Could do no more.
2. All attending, serving needed. Do not stop till are worshipping from humble and sincere heart. Goal.

V. PERSONAL POSSESSIONS NOT WITHHELD AT TRIUMPHAL ENTRY.

1. Jesus at height of career. Just asked. Mark 11:5-6.
2. Little advance notice given. People ready. J. 12:12.
3. Time short for some, yet gave what had. Mark 11:8.
4. Learn truth late in life. Give best that's left.

VI. NERVOUS NICODEMUS EMBALMED THE BODY OF CHRIST.

1. Secret admirer of the Lord. John 3:2.
2. Defended Christ's right to fair trial. John 7:45-53.
3. Friend of another secret admirer. John 19:38-42.
4. Some risk of fortune and reputation at stake. But looked beyond that. Ill. College boy-heavy course yet preached. Said: Looking beyond to another exam.

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DISCUSSION

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INV: All should look beyond the near future to eternity. A sure thing.

Become Christian because want to. B-R-C-B.

Erring: Lost the "want to" Regain it. R-P.

THE NATURE OF THE WILL

A VIEW OF THE WILL AND ITS RELATION TO THE MIND

THE WILL AND THE MIND