

Preparation Questions
John 11: 53 – 12:26
Life comes through death

Opener: Make a list of the things you treasure most in life.

Text 1: At the end of chapter 11 we saw Caiaphas and the Sanhedrin plotting Jesus' death. In this passage (11.53-12.26) how does John draw our attention to the fact that Jesus is deliberately moving towards his death and that Jesus' death is linked to his work of bringing life? See 11v53; 12v1; 12v7; etc ...

Text 2: Have a go at filling in the table below:

	What should we learn about Jesus' death through each of these episodes?	How does each episode help us see how we should respond to his death?
Jesus' response		
Mary		
Judas		
Chief Priests		
Crowd in Jerusalem OT Sharpener: How does Psalm 118v19-27 and Zechariah 9v9-13 help us see what the crowd and the disciples understood and misunderstood about Jesus' coming to Jerusalem?		
The Greeks		

Sum up and apply: How does the attitude of the world around us tempt us not to respond to Jesus' death the way that Mary did? How does this passage help us to treasure it more? From this passage and particularly using John 12.23-26 sum up why Jesus must die and how we should respond?