



**Key Scripture:**

Luke 1:51 NASU  
HE HAS FILLED THE HUNGRY WITH GOOD THINGS

**Setting The Table**

John 12:1-11 NLT

1 Six days before the Passover celebration began, Jesus arrived in Bethany, the home of Lazarus—the man He had raised from the dead. 2 A dinner was prepared in Jesus' honor. Martha served, and Lazarus was among those who ate with Him. 3 Then Mary took a twelve-ounce jar of expensive perfume made from essence of nard, and she anointed Jesus' feet with it, wiping His feet with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance. 4 But Judas Iscariot, the disciple who would soon betray Him, said, 5 "That perfume was worth a year's wages. It should have been sold and the money given to the poor." 6 Not that he cared for the poor—he was a thief, and since he was in charge of the disciples' money, he often stole some for himself. 7 Jesus replied, "Leave her alone. She did this in preparation for My burial. 8 You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have Me." 9 When all the people heard of Jesus' arrival, they flocked to see Him and also to see Lazarus, the man Jesus had raised from the dead. 10 Then the leading priests decided to kill Lazarus, too, 11 for it was because of him that many of the people had deserted them and believed in Jesus.

**Fed Up (Judas & the leading priests)**

- ✓ **Compare** - many of the people had deserted them and believed in Jesus.
- ✓ **Complain** – “perfume was worth a year's wages...sold...money given to poor.”
- ✓ **Covet** - he often stole money from the bag.

**Filled Up**

- ✓ **Thankfulness gives you a place at the table.**  
John 12:2 NKJV  
*Lazarus was one of those who sat at the table with Him.*
- ✓ **Thankfulness invites people to honor Jesus.**  
John 12:2 NLT  
A dinner was **prepared in Jesus' honor.**
- ✓ **Thankfulness gets you involved in God's plans.**  
John 12:7 NLT  
Jesus replied, "Leave her alone. **She did this in preparation for My burial.**"

**Thanks  
Fed Up or Filled Up?**

**A Life Filled with Thanks...**

**1. Focus on thanking God in your everyday circumstances.**

1 Thessalonians 5:18 NLT  
**Be thankful in all circumstances,**  
for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.

**2. Recall what the LORD has done.**

John 12:1 NLT  
Lazarus—the man **He had raised from the dead**

Psalms 118:21 ERV  
**Lord, I thank You for answering my prayer. I thank you for saving me.**

**3. Change your environment by filling it with thanks.**

John 12:3 NLT  
**The house was filled with the fragrance.**

**4. Live as a testimony of thanks to Jesus.**

John 12:11 NIV  
**Because of Lazarus,** many of the Jews were **starting to follow Jesus.**  
They were **putting their faith in Him.**

- ✓ **Pray** John 12:2 NKJV  
**Lazarus was one of those who sat at the table with Him.**
- ✓ **Serve** John 12:2 CEV  
A meal had been prepared for Jesus. **Martha was doing the serving...**
- ✓ **Worship** John 12:3 NLT  
Then **Mary... anointed Jesus' feet with it, wiping His feet with her hair.**

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