**IMPACT BIBLE STUDY**

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

**JOHN – LESSON 12**

**John 11:55 – 12:50**

1. What was meaningful to you from last week’s lesson?

Day 1 - Read John 11:55 – 12:8

2. a. Describe the atmosphere in Jerusalem as Passover was approaching.

 b. Describe the dinner party in Bethany and who was present.

3. a. Mary gained spiritual awareness at Jesus’ feet (Luke 10:38-42). How did she now demonstrate her love and adoration?

 b. How can we today demonstrate our adoration for Jesus according to Matthew 25:35-40?

4. What is learned about Judas in verses 4-6?

5. a. What was Jesus’ reaction to Mary’s anointing?

 b. What did Jesus say about Mary in Matthew 26:13?

6. Did Jesus mean in verse 8 that we should not be concerned about the poor? Explain your answer.

Day 2 – Read John 12:9-19

7. a. What attracted the crowds to Bethany?

 b. What plans were the chief priests making and why?

8. a. What reception did Jesus receive as He entered Jerusalem?

 b. How did this fulfill the prophecy of Zechariah 9:9?

 c. Why do you think Jesus permitted all this praise and homage? (Consider Luke 19:39-40)

 d. Recall a time when spontaneous praise welled up in your life.

9. How did the disciples and Pharisees respond?

10. Remember 1 Peter 3:15. In witnessing, you’ve been asked, “Jesus had the support of the people when He rode into Jerusalem. Why didn’t He set up His kingdom then?” Your answer?

Day 3 - Read John 12:20-36

11. Apply the spiritual principle of “dying in order to live” which was illustrated by the wheat kernel to your own life and share your thoughts.

12. What was Jesus’ priority in verses 27-28?

13. What were the three occasions in Jesus’ earthly ministry when God spoke from heaven?

 a. Matthew 3:16-17

 b. Matthew 17:1-5

 c. John 12:27-30

14. What would Jesus’ death mean to the world?

15. What two responses did Jesus urge from his listeners regarding the light?

Day 4 - Read John 12:37-43

16. a. Despite “all these miraculous signs” many refused to believe. How do you deal with hardness of heart in unbelievers and do you think there is any cure?

 b. (IN-DEPTH) Recall other Bible characters who exhibited hardness of heart and do the Scriptures record any change?

17. a. Many Jewish leaders believed in Jesus but remained silent. Why?

 b. Would you say silence is a sin? Why or why not?

 c. What assurance can a Christian claim in 2 Timothy 1:7, 8?

Day 5 – Read John 12:44-50

18. Jesus reviewed His purpose in this last public discourse. What did He say concerning . . .

 a. belief?

 b. light?

 c. judgment?

 d. the Father?

19. Zechariah 9:9 foretold the first coming of Christ. Read Zechariah 14:4-9 and write a sentence or two of joy and praise for the promise of His Second Coming!