

**THE MASTERCRAFT:  
“THE HOUSE FILLED WITH  
THE FRAGRANCE OF PERFUME”**

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## TEXT JOHN 12

Honestly, the topic of today got me thinking even deeper...no “wonder some people enjoy uncommon privileges and others miss them”. For example, in: **Job 1:10 satan said to God:** “You have always put a wall of protection around him and his home and his property. You have made him prosper in everything he does. Look how rich he is!”

Job 1:3, Job is said to “owned 7,000 sheep, 3,000 camels, 500 yoke of oxen, 500 female donkeys, and a very large number of servants. Job was the greatest man of all the people of the east.” **Yet**, Job 42:12 says, “the LORD blessed Job's latter days more than his first. He owned 14,000 sheep, 6,000 camels, 1,000 yoke of oxen, and 1,000 female donkeys.” (double of what he had before).

Gen 15:1 “After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I *am* thy shield, *and* your exceeding great reward.

Gen 26:12

“Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year a hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him.”

... it can happen to anybody & you don't have to wait for long.

**Anyone who does the right things gets the privileges and gets them fast.**

No wonder Deut. 28:2-12 says:

“<sup>2</sup> All these blessings will come on you and accompany you if you obey the LORD your God:.”

So brethren, the question today is:

**“Is my/your house filled with the fragrance of perfume”?**

# Our text is John 12

V 1-3 “ Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. <sup>2</sup> Here a dinner was given in Jesus’ honor. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with Him. <sup>3</sup> Then Mary took about a pint/litre of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus’ feet and wiped His feet with her hair. And “the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume”.

**WOW! Someone actually thought of that –buy expensive perfume, pour it on Jesus feet and wipe it with your hair?**

**What was going on in her mind when she was buying the perfume?**

**Why did she not mind the cost?**

**Why did she not think that pouring such an expensive perfume on Jesus was enough sacrifice, yet still bent and wiped it with her hair?**

**Bible says: “And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.”**

**Brethren,**

- it is possible to pour the perfume on Jesus Christ and yet that house not be filled with the fragrance of the perfume.
- It is possible to pour the perfume and the act will go totally unnoticed. Infact it may even be view as a stupid act just like Judas viewed it. vs 4: “<sup>4</sup> but one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray Him, objected, <sup>5</sup> “why wasn’t this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year’s wages.

**But this perfume was not only accepted but the fragrance filled the house.**

<sup>7</sup> “leave her alone,” Jesus replied. **“it was intended** that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial.”

**The key thing here her is that “it was intended”.**

**Brethren**, for each one of us, there is an **intended action** that God created along with us.

But we cannot **discover** that action unless we turn aside to ask Him.

And we cannot **perform** that action unless we discover it.

Danger then is that there are people who are on **wrong** actions that are not meant for them and thus **run the risk of not being rewarded and their actions not being accepted.**

**the bible says:**

“has the LORD as great a delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as in obedience to the voice of the LORD? “Obedience is better than sacrifice, and submission is better than offering the fat of rams”.(1 Samuel 15:22)

“my people perish for lack of knowledge” “because you have rejected knowledge, I also reject you as my priests; because you have ignored the law of your God, I also will ignore your children. (Hosea 4:6)

## **Reason He said for example, in:**

Matthew 7:6-7

<sup>6</sup> “do not give dogs what is sacred (your gift); do not throw your pearls (treasure) to pigs. if you do, they may trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.

**God expects us to know that there is need for us to seek Him and we should willing on our own seek Him and find Him.**

**ask, seek, knock (Matthew 7)**

<sup>7</sup> “ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. <sup>8</sup> for everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

**Having Heard this, How Do We Go Forward from Here?**

**Get God to fill your house (temple) with His glory,  
and then ask Him for what was intended for you.**

**Let's see the steps that Solomon took: He first built the temple, then got God to fill the temple.**

The bible says we are the temple of the Holy Ghost (1 Corinthians 6:19)). It means that, unlike the days of Solomon, when he had to first build the temple for God before getting God to fill it with His glory, the temple is already built for us – each child of God is a temple.

The next step now, which happens only on individual basis, is to bring the ark of God into your temple so that the fragrance of perfume can fill the house (temple).

For Solomon, after he built the temple, then he brought in the ark of God in.

**1 king 8:** <sup>6</sup> the priests then brought the ark of the LORD's covenant to its place in the inner sanctuary of the temple, the most holy place. <sup>9</sup> there was nothing in the ark except the two stone tablets that Moses had placed in it at Horeb, where the LORD made a covenant with the Israelites after they came out of Egypt (Exodus 24:12; 34:1):. <sup>10</sup> **when the priests withdrew from the holy place, the cloud filled the temple of the LORD.** <sup>11</sup> .... **FOR THE GLORY OF THE LORD FILLED HIS TEMPLE.**



Conclusion.

To fill your house with fragrance of perfume, separate yourself quietly to the Lord and pray from the bottom of your heart using the word of God that you know. Ask God to show you your planned intention so you can fulfill them.

Remain in consistent earnest prayer as you go, He will lead you to fill your house with fragrance of perfume.

God Bless You!