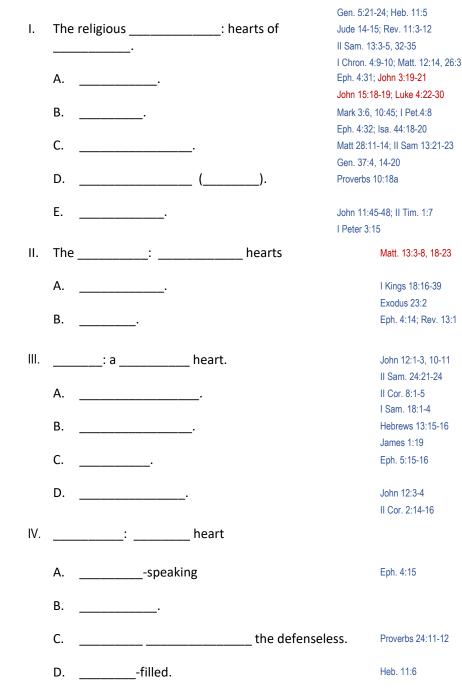
## **SNAPSHOTS**

Mark 14:1-9

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## Mark 14:1-9 NIV

Now the Passover and the Festival of Unleavened Bread were only two days away, and the chief priests and the teachers of the law were scheming to arrest Jesus secretly and kill him. <sup>2</sup> "But not during the festival," they said, "or the people may riot."

<sup>3</sup> While he was in Bethany, reclining at the table in the home of Simon the Leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head.

<sup>4</sup> Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another, "Why this waste of perfume? <sup>5</sup> It could have been sold for more than a year's wages and the money given to the poor." And they rebuked her harshly.

<sup>6</sup> "Leave her alone," said Jesus. "Why are you bothering her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. <sup>7</sup> The poor you will always have with you, and you can help them any time you want. But you will not always have me. <sup>8</sup> She did what she could. She poured perfume on my body beforehand to prepare for my burial. <sup>9</sup> Truly I tell you, wherever the gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also

## **Journey Group Questions**

- 1. Is there a recent snapshot on your phone you would like to share with the group which tells a deeper story about something or someone, or captures someone's personality or character?
- Compare the "snapshots" of the hateful, shallow, and loving hearts from the outline. Which of those traits come most easily to you? Most difficult? How do we grow toward the traits of a loving heart? Read Galatians 5:19-25 and/or Romans 6:1-14 together. What do these passages have to teach us about growing?
- 3. Many of us tend to think our hearts are more loving than they are. Speech and behavior are great tools for accessing the truth. When you look back over the past week, how have your actions reflected your heart?
- 4. During our Christian walk, one could take numerous "snapshots" of our hearts to measure the growth or stagnation of our sanctification process. How would someone close to you describe snapshots of your heart? How would those snapshots show your growth in Christ?

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