



Being

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# *Service*



# Exodus 35:21-22

Common English Bible (CEB)



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Both men and women came forward. Everyone who was eager to participate brought pins, earrings, rings, and necklaces, all sorts of gold objects. Everyone raised an uplifted offering of gold to the Lord.





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During this five week series,  
we'll look at how we can  
answer the call to serve Christ  
at Wesley Church of Hope.



We are called to faithfully participate in the life and ministries of our local congregation through our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness.





# *A Recap of What We've Covered So Far...*





# *Prayer*



# *Presence*



# *Gifts*



*This Week We  
Are Discussing...*



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# *What is our Attitude Toward Service?*



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# Excited and Eager to Participate



# *What Do We Have To Offer To God?*



# Romans 12:1

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So, brothers and sisters, because of God's mercies, I encourage you to present your bodies as a living sacrifice that is holy and pleasing to God. This is your appropriate priestly service.



# Offering Ourselves for Service



*What Might Prevent  
Us From Getting the  
Work Done?*





# I Chronicles 28:20

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“Be strong and courageous,”  
David said to his son Solomon.  
“Get to work. Don’t be afraid or  
discouraged, because the Lord  
God, my God, is with you.



He'll neither let you down nor  
leave you before all the work  
for the service of the Lord's  
temple is done.



It isn't About What Could  
Go Wrong. Think About  
What Could Go Right!



*Our Service, Mission  
and Ministry is for  
the “Common Good”*



# Mark 14:3-8

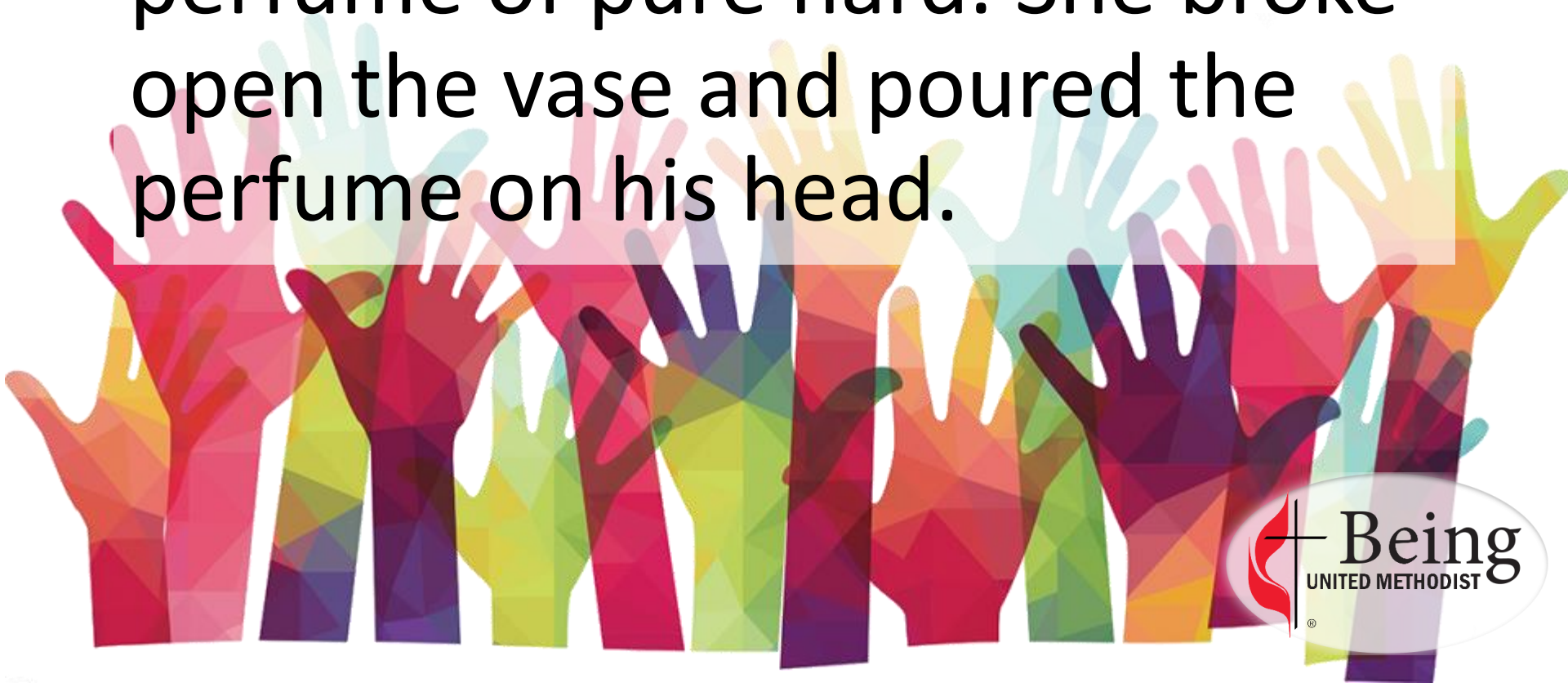
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Jesus was at Bethany visiting the house of Simon, who had a skin disease.



During dinner, a woman came in with a vase made of alabaster and containing very expensive perfume of pure nard. She broke open the vase and poured the perfume on his head.





Some grew angry. They said to each other, “Why waste the perfume? This perfume could have been sold for almost a year’s pay and the money given to the poor.” And they scolded her.



Jesus said, “Leave her alone. Why do you make trouble for her? She has done a good thing for me.



You always have the poor with you;  
and whenever you want, you can do  
something good for them. But you  
won't always have me.



She has done what she could.  
She has anointed my body ahead  
of time for burial.



# Doing Good Things For Jesus Might Be Misunderstood



*Who Does Service,  
Mission and  
Ministry Benefit?*



# 1 Corinthians 12:4-7

Common English Bible (CEB)



There are different spiritual gifts  
but the same Spirit; and there  
are different ministries and the  
same Lord;





and there are different activities but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. A demonstration of the Spirit is given to each person for the common good.



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*So What?*



*Next Week...*



# *Witness*



*And all of God's  
people said, "Amen."*

