JOHN 12; September 22; Jesus Enters Jerusalem on a Colt

ANALYSIS: 1. Why did Judas Iscariot suggest the ointment used on Jesus should have been sold and the money given to the poor?
2. What did the people chant as Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a colt?
3. What request did some Greeks make of Philip?
4. When Jesus said, "Father, glorify thy name," what happened?

5. Why could some not believe on Jesus? _____

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

Mary anointed Jesus with very costly ointment or perfume to show her heart-felt love for Him. When a disciple rebuked her for this extravagant act of devotion, she may have found it difficult to give a rational explanation for her action. Jesus accepted and defended her lavish expression of worship, and by it's inclusion in the inspired Gospel has preserved it throughout this gospel age. Mary's love, poured on Jesus feet in recognition of His coming suffering and death, is sharply contrasted against Judas' calculating covetousness.

How do you and I express our love to the Lord? How do we give? "He that giveth, let him to it with simplicity" (Rom 12:8). "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful given" (2 Cor 9:7).

HELP:

- 1. Judas suggested the proceeds might have been given to the poor, but in truth he did not care for the poor, for he was a thief and had the bag and bare what was given to the disciples (v 6).
- 2. "Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord" (v 13).
- 3. "Sir, we would see Jesus" (v 21).
- 4. A voice from heaven said, "I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again" (v 28).
- 5. Because Isaias said, "He hath blinded their eyes and hardened their heart; that they should not see with their eyes, nor understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them (vs 39-40).