*WIDE OPEN ARE THY LOVING HANDS #74*

## *Matthew 26:1-16, p. 1056*

*Verses 1-5*

1. What does it say about this group that they were able to agree to commit murder—apparently without much disagreement?

2. Why were they worried about an "uproar among the people"?

*Verses 6-13*

3. Why do you suppose that "Simon the leper" is mentioned by name including the description that he had leprosy?

4. Matthew's account (and Mark's) doesn't mention that this woman actually Mary, the sister of Lazarus and Martha (see John 12:3). Why do you suppose that she isn't mentioned in Matthew or Mark?

5. One more name question—John also makes it clear that Judas is the one that was angry about the cost of the perfume—why do you think Matthew neglects to mention Judas' direct involvement?

6. Were the disciples at least partially right in their concern about wastefulness?

7. Why wasn't this wasteful?

8. Does this passage instruct us on how we should value having expensive, beautiful things in our worship services and churches? Why or why not?

*Verses 14-16*

9. What do you think of the price that was paid to Judas to betray Jesus?

10. Was it about the money? Why do you think that Judas betrayed Jesus?

*HALLELUJAH WHAT A SAVIOR #84*