

Week 5: Commit Brazen Acts of Beauty



READ THE STORY: John 12:1-8, when Mary Anoints Jesus (page 444 in the Spark Story Bible).

WONDER:

- Why do you think Mary used the perfume on Jesus? What do you think she was feeling that led her to do that?
- Are you surprised that Jesus didn't agree with Judas that they should sell the perfume and give the money to the poor?
- Have you ever felt like you were wasting time, money, or supplies on something, even though it brought joy and beauty and love? What made you feel that way?
- How do you share love and beauty with others?



LISTEN: Read the book *Maybe Something Beautiful* by F. Isabel Campoy and Theresa Howell, illustrated by Rafael López. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2016. Find a read-along on YouTube [here](#).

- Have you ever seen a mural? How did it make you feel?
- Were you worried that the policeman was going to tell everybody to stop painting? Has anyone ever told you to stop doing something that was bringing joy and beauty to the world? How did it make you feel?
- What ways do you like to share beauty? (*Drawing and painting? Sculpting with play dough or building blocks? Taking pictures? Dancing? Singing? Playing pretend? Going on walks and looking at nature?*)

CREATE: Make a beautiful jar to remind you to share the gifts of love and beauty with the world. Go to [Arte a Scuola](#) for instructions on how to make Ming Vases with intricate designs using pastels, paint, and toothpicks.

PRAY: *Dear God, thank you for the gifts that others share with us. Remind us that our gifts are always good when they bring more beauty, joy, and love into the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

