

Thought for the day – Monday 14th March 2022

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Oils and ointments

R.A.K. Mason looks at the anointing stories.

Let me fall down about your feet oh Christ
that have bruised and bled along the lonely way,
wait here my bringing forth those highly priced
treasures I have saved up this many a day.

The ointments I bring up to you my lord
gleam jewels like a steel-flashing beetle shard
lo! I shower down cascading the rich hoard
frankincense, aloes, myrrh, cassia, spikenard

Sluggish oil that glints oh look, rainbows and gold
gently assailing unguents the orient has spiced
slow pouring balm smooth smearing calm behold
and stretch out your soothful longing foot oh Christ.

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Jesus was so gracious as he received the ministrations of these women. Did it give him the idea that he should wash his disciples' feet?

What kind acts do we do?