

I HAVE DECIDED

DAY 4 Read Luke 7:40-47 focusing on Jesus.

What do you think Jesus' purpose is for this dinner meeting? Did the woman just show up or do you think Jesus intentionally set the table? What does Jesus want you to see about Him in this passage? What does He want you to see about you – and do you see it clearly? Pray for a clear vision of what Jesus is up to in your life right now.

DAY 5 Read Luke 7:48-50 focusing on Forgiveness & Faith.

Jesus tells the woman "Your sins are forgiven" (vs.48) – Is he repeating what already stated in vs.47 or something else? What was the response at the table to Jesus forgiving her and why is this so hard to grasp? What's the connection here between faith, forgiveness and going in peace? (Rom.5:1-2; Eph.2:8-9; Phil.4:6-9) Coming away from this table setting with Jesus, what's your practical application for the week? Pray from a grateful heart of adoration.

Answers: Welcome, Revealed, Forgiven



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“Come to the Table” Luke 7:36-50

“Then he said to the crowd, “If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow me.” Luke 9:23 NLT

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“Jesus answered them, “Healthy people don’t need a doctor—sick people do. I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners and need to repent.”
Luke.5:31-32 NLT

The Setting

“One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to have dinner with him, so Jesus went to his home and sat down to eat. When a certain immoral woman from that city heard he was eating there, she brought a beautiful alabaster jar filled with expensive perfume. Then she knelt behind him at his feet, weeping. Her tears fell on his feet, and she wiped them off with her hair. Then she kept kissing his feet and putting perfume on them. When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, “If this man were a prophet, he would know what kind of woman is touching him. She’s a sinner!”

Luke 7:36-39 NLT

The Story

“Then Jesus answered his thoughts. “Simon,” he said to the Pharisee, “I have something to say to you.” “Go ahead, Teacher,” Simon replied. Then Jesus told him this story: “A man loaned money to two people—500 pieces of silver to one and 50 pieces to the other. But neither of them could repay him, so he kindly forgave them both, canceling their debts. Who do you suppose loved him more after that?” Simon answered, “I suppose the one for whom he canceled the larger debt.” “That’s right,” Jesus said.”

Luke 7:40-43 NLT

The Savior

“Then he turned to the woman and said to Simon, “Look at this woman kneeling here. When I entered your home, you didn’t offer me water to wash the dust from my feet, but she has washed them with her tears and wiped them with her hair. You didn’t greet me with a kiss, but from the time I first came in, she has not stopped kissing my feet. You neglected the courtesy of olive oil to anoint my head, but she has anointed my feet with rare perfume. “I tell you, her sins—and they are many—have been forgiven, so she has shown me much love. But a person who is forgiven little shows only little love.” Then Jesus said to the woman, “Your sins are forgiven.”

Luke 7:44-48 NLT

The Gospel Truth at the Table...

- When Jesus is at the table, all are welcome.
- When Jesus is at the table, all is revealed.
- When Jesus is at the table, all is forgiven.

“The men at the table said among themselves, “Who is this man, that he goes around forgiving sins? And Jesus said to the woman, “Your faith has saved you; go in peace.”

Luke 7:49-50 NLT

“Therefore, since we have been made right in God’s sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God’s glory.”

Rom.5:1-2 NLT

“...Now he uses us to spread the knowledge of Christ everywhere, like a sweet perfume. Our lives are a Christ-like fragrance rising up to God...”

2Cor.2:14-15 NLT

DAILY LIFE GROUP GUIDE _____ Feb.21-26, 2022

Use *this* guide this week to help you spend time with God every day. As you go through the daily devotional, reflect on His Word and pray specifically for God to guide your steps each day. Take one day at a time - Read, Reflect, and Record your answers. Spend time in prayer for God’s guidance. Share your thoughts & action steps with your LifeGroup. We are Better Together!

DAY 1 Read Luke 7:36-39 as if you were Simon the Pharisee.

What are you thinking inviting Jesus to your house for dinner? What’s going on inside your head when that sinful woman comes in and starts anointing Jesus’ feet? Why are you so irritated at Jesus and what’s your conclusion? Now, in your real life, how easy is it to become like this Pharisee? Give an example. Pray for a humble heart that sees people

DAY 2 Read Luke 7:36-39 as if you were the Woman.

What are you thinking going to the Pharisee’s house for dinner? What have you heard about Jesus that motivated you to get to him no matter who was there? What does that perfume represent to you as a gift to Jesus? Now, back to reality – how are you like this woman and how do you practically show your adoration of Him? Pray for a repentant heart that shows adoration like this.

DAY 3 Read Luke 7:40-47 as if you were Simon the Pharisee.

What’s your initial reaction to Jesus knowing your thoughts and what do you think Jesus is getting ready to tell you? How do you connect yourself in the story Jesus tells you and why? How did Jesus drive home his point to you and did you get it? Now, back to you personally – what’s your main takeaway from Jesus’ story to you? Pray for a heart of true worship before the Lord. →