

# I HAVE DECIDED

## DAY 4 Read Luke 12:29-32 focusing on Your Concerns.

What specifically does Jesus tell you NOT to be concerned about and how does that relate to your life now? What does Jesus tell you to do instead and how can this become a daily practice for you? How do you personalize vs.32 for you right now? (What are you afraid of?) Make this your prayer today.

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## “Mary & Martha’s Mother’s Day Gift” Luke 10:38-42



## DAY 5 Read Psalm 37:3-7, 23-25 focusing on God's Word to You.

Spend extra time being still before God and really internalizing what God is saying to you here. What are a couple of words that seem to resonate with you today? Make these verses a prayer to God from you – pray it out loud to Him and enjoy His presence today.

*“As Jesus and the disciples continued on their way to Jerusalem, they came to a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. Her sister, Mary, sat at the Lord’s feet, listening to what he taught. But Martha was distracted by the big dinner she was preparing. She came to Jesus and said, “Lord, doesn’t it seem unfair to you that my sister just sits here while I do all the work? Tell her to come and help me.” But the Lord said to her, “My dear Martha, you are worried and upset over all these details! There is only one thing worth being concerned about. Mary has discovered it, and it will not be taken away from her.”*

Luke 10:38-42 NLT

### 1. Stop stressing about who you’re impressing.

*“...they came to a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home.”*

Lk.10:38 NLT

*“I’m not trying to win the approval of people, but of God. If pleasing people were my goal, I would not be Christ’s servant.”*

Gal.1:10 NLT



*“Make a careful exploration of who you are and the work you have been given, and then sink yourself into that. Don’t be impressed with yourself. Don’t compare yourself with others. Each of you must take responsibility for doing the creative best you can with your own life.”*  
Gal.6:4-5 MSG

## **2. Don’t let distractions become the main attraction.**

*“But Martha was distracted by the big dinner she was preparing...  
...But the Lord said to her, “My dear Martha, you are worried and upset over all these details!”*  
Lk.10:40a, 41 NLT

*“And don’t be concerned about what to eat and what to drink. Don’t worry about such things. These things dominate the thoughts of unbelievers all over the world, but your Father already knows your needs. Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and he will give you everything you need.”*  
Lk.12:29-31 NLT

## **3. Quit asking Jesus to co-sign your craziness.**

*“She came to Jesus and said, “Lord, doesn’t it seem unfair to you that my sister just sits here while I do all the work? Tell her to come and help me.”*  
Lk.10:40b NLT

## **4. Be still and discover God’s Will.**

*“Mary, sat at the Lord’s feet, listening to what he taught...  
“There is only one thing worth being concerned about. Mary has discovered it, and it will not be taken away from her.”* Lk.10:39,42 NLT

*“Cease striving and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.”*  
Ps.46:10 NAS

*“Trust in the Lord and do good. Then you will live safely in the land and prosper. Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you your heart’s desires. Commit everything you do to the Lord. Trust him, and he will help you...Be still in the presence of the Lord, and wait patiently for him to act...The Lord directs the steps of the godly. He delights in every detail of their lives. Though they stumble, they will never fall, for the Lord holds them by the hand.”*  
Ps. 37:3-5,7,23-24 NLT

## **DAILY LIFE GROUP GUIDE \_\_\_\_\_ May 9-14, 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 10:38-40 focusing on Martha.**

Based on your observation, how would you describe Martha in this situation and why? What was she over-concerned about? How did she want Jesus to “help” her out? How does your life connect with Martha from this? What advice would you give to you? Make that your prayer.

### **DAY 2 Read Luke 10:38-40 focusing on Mary.**

What can you tell about Mary from this passage? How is she different from Martha and do you think it’s mainly a personality difference? What really bugs Martha about what Mary is doing & why? How do you connect with Mary here or need to learn from Mary here? Make that your prayer.

### **DAY 3 Read Luke 10:41-42 focusing on Jesus.**

Describe what you think Jesus was referring to – the “*one thing*” worth being concerned about. Compare this with Ps.27:4 & Phil.3:13-14. What are you hearing from this? Mary “discovered it”, have you? How? Pray for more clarity regarding the “one thing” Jesus wants you concerned about and how to do it.

