

Bible Study 07-08-2025

Title: Dining With Jesus

Luke 7:36-50

Luke 7 KJV

36 *And one of the Pharisees desired Him that He would eat with him. And He went into the Pharisee's house, and sat down to meat.*

This man was a Pharisee named Simon, which was a common name. He appeared to be a decent man who was a respected religious leader in the community. He projected an air of "having it all together."

37 *And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment.*

It was a common custom for uninvited guests to attend dinner parties as spectators only. This unnamed woman aka woman of the village/the town harlot had as much right as anyone else to participate and she didn't come empty handed. She is desperate and on a mission to see Jesus. This ointment or perfume was probably the greatest possession she had, and she chose to give it to her Lord.

38 *And stood at His feet behind Him weeping. And began to wash His feet with tears. And did wipe them with the hairs of her head. And kissed His feet, and anointed them with the ointment.*

Notice her posture, her attitude of repentance. Standing there in the Lord's very presence had to be extremely humbling and breathtaking. Being overcome with conviction and emotions, she stood behind Him weeping and washing His feet with tears. Women's hair of this era is pinned up. However, she is apparently caught up in this special moment, lets her hair down and uses it as a washcloth, And then kisses His feet, before anointing them with the expensive perfume. What a sacrifice.

Note: Anyone who comes to Christ must come with a broken and contrite heart.

Psalm 34:18 KJV

The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit. (those who are crushed in spirit)

*How much are you willing to sacrifice for the Lord?

*How deep does your desire to serve Him really go?

*What does "sacrifice" mean to you?

Isaiah 66:1 NLT

This is what the Lord says: "Heaven is My throne, and the earth is My footstool. Could you build Me a temple as good as that? Could you build me such a resting place?"

2 *My hands have made both heaven and earth; they and everything in them are Mine. I, The Lord, have spoken? I will bless those who have humble and contrite hearts, who tremble at MY word.*

God examines the heart. He alone knows the motives, inner thoughts, intent and character of the human heart. Man will always be at war with God until they choose to completely surrender their total heart to Christ, who is the Prince of Peace.

Luke 7

39 *Now when the Pharisee which had bidden Him saw it, he spake within himself, saying, This man, if He were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of woman this is that toucheth Him: for she is a sinner.*

Romans 3:23 *For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.*

Romans 6:23 *For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Romans 14 KJV

10 *But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.*

11 *For it is written, As I live, saith The Lord, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall confess to God.*

12 *So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.*

Luke 7:40-50 KJV

*And Jesus answering said unto him, Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And he saith, Master, say on. **41** There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty. **42** And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell Me therefore, which of them will love Him most? **43** Simon answered and said, I suppose that he, to whom He forgave most. And He said unto him, Thou hast rightly judged. **44** And He turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest Me no water for my feet: but she hath washed My feet*

with tears, and wiped them with the hairs of her head. 45 Thou gavest Me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss My feet. 46 My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman, hath anointed My feet with ointment. 47 Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little.

48 *And He said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven. 49 And they that sat at meat with Him began to say within themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins also? 50 And He said to the woman, They faith hath saved thee; go in peace.*

Jesus deserves so much more than the common or ordinary worship, respect, gift or greeting. Remember, it was the sins of all people that brought about Jesus' humiliation. He came from heaven to earth to die for the sins of the world. Jesus does **not** excuse sin. When we come to Him with a broken and contrite spirit and sincerely repent of our sins, He alone is able to forgive.

John 14:6 "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me" **Isaiah 43:25** "I, even I am He that blotted out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins" **Isaiah 44:22** "I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return unto me; for I have redeemed thee"

Song: "I AM Redeemed" by Jessy Dixon