



## Key References:

Luke 7:36–38 (ESV)

<sup>36</sup> One of the Pharisees asked him to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee’s house and reclined at table. <sup>37</sup> And behold, a woman of the city, who was a sinner, when she learned that he was reclining at table in the Pharisee’s house, brought an alabaster flask of ointment, <sup>38</sup> and standing behind him at his feet, weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head and kissed his feet and anointed them with the ointment.

James 2:10 (ESV)

<sup>10</sup> For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it.

2 Corinthians 5:16–17 (ESV)

<sup>16</sup> From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. <sup>17</sup> Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

Luke 7:44–50 (ESV)

<sup>44</sup> Then turning toward the woman he said to Simon, **“Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. <sup>45</sup> You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet. <sup>46</sup> You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. <sup>47</sup> Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little.”** <sup>48</sup> And he said to her, **“Your sins are forgiven.”** <sup>49</sup> Then those who were at table with him began to say among themselves, “Who is this, who even forgives sins?” <sup>50</sup> And he said to the woman, **“Your faith has saved you; go in peace.”**

## 1 – JESUS SEES THE HEART

Read Luke 7:36-39. **In what ways would this woman’s presence and her actions towards Jesus have been extremely uncomfortable for the Pharisees?**

**How did Simon pre-judge this woman and how was he offended by Jesus’ judgement of this woman?**

## 2 – NO ONE IS “TOO FAR GONE”

Read Hebrews 4:15-16. *BJ highlighted this at the end of the service what Mark said about how we do not need to be embarrassed or ashamed before Jesus.* **What did this woman know about Jesus that overcame the embarrassment that may have kept her away? How does embarrassment keep us away from Jesus?**

Read Luke 7:40-43. **What are your thoughts on this parable and what is your experience with it?**

## 3 – JESUS CAME TO SEEK & SAVE THE LOST

Read 2 Corinthians 5:16-17. **How does the situation in Luke 7 highlight the importance of understanding this scripture?**

## 4 – BECOMING A MODERN-DAY PHARISEE

Read Luke 7:44-47. This scripture shows the difference between the indifference and contempt for Jesus that Simon had verses the overwhelming love that the newly forgiven woman had. **Do you experience the same affections for Jesus of when you were newly saved?**

Mark encouraged us to “Get connected again with the magnitude of your personal forgiveness”. **How can we do that? What other ways stir up this first-love affections again?**

**How does Luke 7 pair up with Revelation 2:1-7? How does Revelation 2 compare love for Jesus with to the other works mentioned?**

**After decades of walking with Jesus, if we are becoming like a modern day Pharisee, what are we forgetting?**