

Reaction of two Sinners to Jesus

Luke 7:36-50

After the great invitation of Christ, “Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” We find this reaction of two sinners. One took up the yoke of Christ and found peace, the other remained in their judgmental, legalist mindset.

“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. ³⁷And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner (_____), when she _____ that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, _____ an alabaster box of ointment, ³⁸And _____ at his feet behind him _____, and began to _____ his feet with tears, and did _____ them with the hairs of her head, and _____ his feet, and _____ them with the ointment.” Luke 7:36-38

I. Setting –

II. Individuals

Simon the Pharisee –

Woman of the city –

Jesus –

Other attendees – v. 49

Get the Facts:

Not Mary Magdalene –

Two Anointings –

III. Reaction of the Woman to Jesus

Alabaster Box of Ointment –

Act of Anointing –

Weeping/Tears/Hair –

“Now when the Pharisee which had bidden him saw it, he spake _____ himself, saying, This man (Lit. - _____), if he were a _____, would have known _____ and _____ manner of woman this is that toucheth him: for she is a sinner” Luke 7:39

IV. Simon’s Criticism

Of Jesus –

Of the Woman –

V. Jesus’ Rebuke of Simon

“And Jesus answering said unto him, Simon, I have somewhat to say _____ 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 (Gk - _____) 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.” Luke 7:40-43

Parable -

“which of them will love him most?” -

“And he turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me _____ 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 _____ kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet. ⁴⁶ My head with oil thou didst _____ 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 _____: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth _____.” Luke 7:44-47

Reaction of Simon to Jesus –

“Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little.” -

VI. Jesus Addresses the Woman

“And he said unto her, Thy sins are _____. ⁴⁹And they that sat at meat with him began to say _____ themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins _____? ⁵⁰And he said to the woman, Thy _____ hath _____ thee; go in (Gk - _____) peace.” Luke 7:48-50

“Thy sins are forgiven.”/“Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.” –

“Who is this that forgiveth sins also?” –

generous, grateful, forgiven prostitute vs. stingy, prideful, sinful Pharisee –

Believers Application:

1. Do we have the attitude of Christ toward sinners, whether they are religious or not?

2. Do we honor Christ our Redeemer with our lives and actions? Are we sincerely grateful for God’s saving mercy and love shown to us? With our sins forgiven, do we enjoy the peace given by God?