

Lesson Three:

Jesus Eats Dinner At a Pharisee's House: Luke 7:36—50 (P.186-187)

Was there ever one special person who believed in you?
How did that make you feel?

Lesson Questions:

1. Why did the Pharisee invite Jesus into his home?
2. Why didn't he show the least bit of hospitality?
3. How must the Pharisees have felt when the "very sinful woman" came in?
4. What do you think they wanted to do?
6. Were the Pharisees any less guilty in God's eyes than the "very sinful woman?"
7. What did the story of the money—lender tell the Pharisees? What does it tell us?
8. What is our debt?
9. Who canceled our debt?
10. What is the natural response to such an act as this?
11. Why do you think the woman risked coming to the Pharisee's house to show such respect and love to Jesus?
12. What might have been some of the fears the woman had?
13. What were Jesus' final words to the woman?

Discussion Questions:

1. Which of your sins makes you feel particularly uncomfortable? How does knowing Jesus give you peace? What is true peace? When will it come to us?
See Matthew 11:28-30 (P.31), John 14:27 (P.306), Romans 5:1 (P.433).
2. How can we show our love toward Jesus in our lives?
3. Read Luke 1:79 (P.163). How does this verse relate to this story? How does it relate to you?

Next lesson we also will learn about debt and forgiveness. This time, however, the person whose debt was canceled goes to jail.

Prayer

Forgiving, loving Savior, we come to you with humble hearts like the sinful woman. We also have made choices which were wrong. We have sinned and hurt ourselves, others, and You. We feel guilty and ask for Your peace. We know that You have granted us forgiveness because You suffered our punishment for us on a cross. We are cleansed by Your blood and made clean. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we give our lives to you, dear Lord. We ask that we may forever serve You just as You were a servant.

Amen