

Finding Forgiveness

New Life – Part 4

Life Church St. Louis – October 7, 2018

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Luke 19:10 (ESV) For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.

Romans 3:23 (ESV) for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

1 John 4:19 (ESV) We love because he first loved us.

1. What does _____ look like?

Luke 7:36-37 (ESV) One of the Pharisees asked him to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. 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,

Luke 7:38 (ESV) 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.

1A. Extravagant _____ for Jesus

2. What determines your _____ for Jesus?

Luke 7:39 (ESV) Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, for she is a sinner."

Luke 7:40-42 (ESV) And Jesus answering said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he answered, "Say it, Teacher." "A certain moneylender had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. When they could not pay, he cancelled the debt of both. Now which of them will love him more?"

Luke 7:43 (ESV) Simon answered, "The one, I suppose, for whom he cancelled the larger debt." And he said to him, "You have judged rightly."

2A. Awareness of my great sin _____

3. What are the symptoms of _____?

Luke 7:44-46 (ESV) 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. You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet. You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment.

3A. _____ love for Jesus or others

4. How can I be _____ Jesus?

Luke 7:47-48 (ESV) Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little." And he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."

Luke 7:49-50 (ESV) Then those who were at table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this, who even forgives sins?" And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

4A. Love sinners and tell them about _____

Action Plan for This Week

- Have a daily quiet time of Bible reading & prayer.
 Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

- Invite a friend for our message series **New Life** next Sunday.

- How will I obey God's Word this week? _____

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Intro. How would you describe to an unbeliever what Jesus came to do (Luke 19:10)?

How does sin cause a person to “fall short of God’s glory” (Romans 3:23)?

How does God’s love for us cause us to love Him in return (1 John 4:19)?

If we love God, why must we do what Jesus did (Luke 19:10)?

1A. Why would the Pharisee be appalled that this sinful woman came to his dinner party (Luke 7:36-37)?

1B. What do you think was going through the woman’s mind as she wept at Jesus’ feet (Luke 7:38)?

1C. In what ways can we show extravagant love for Jesus? What hinders us?

2A. How did the Pharisee think Jesus should have responded to the woman’s actions (Luke 7:39)?

2B. What was Jesus’ story intended to teach about the woman’s actions (Luke 7:40-42)?

2C. Describe what you believe was Simon’s problem (Luke 7:43).

2D. How can you grow in loving Jesus more, according to Jesus’ story?

3A. What did Simon’s lack of hospitality reveal about his heart (Luke 7:44-46)?

3B. How are Simon’s lack of love for Jesus and treatment of the woman related (Luke 10:27)?

3C. How can you grow in humility and conquer pride? What will be the effects in your relationships?

4A. What clues are there in the story that reveal the woman had previously met Jesus and been forgiven (Luke 7:47-48)?

4B. Why did the dinner guests wonder at Jesus’ statement of the woman’s forgiveness (Luke 7:49-50, Luke 5:21)?

4C. How can we follow Jesus’ example in our relationship with unbelievers, rather than Simon’s?