

Community Group Homework Questions

1. Sunday's message began with a reminder that everything we do for the Lord ought to flow from a heart of love. The Lord does not only care about *what* we are doing in ministry, but *why* we are doing it. How are you doing in this area as you seek to serve?
2. The woman in this passage is overcome with love for Jesus because she knows how much has been forgiven her. What can we take from this regarding the importance of the Bible's teaching on sin? What would be the consequences of ignoring it?
3. Ephesians 2:1-10 and Titus 2:11-14 are two excellent summations of God's salvation. Read through them and ask yourself the following: Are works mentioned in these passages? If so, where? What is the relationship between works and salvation? What does this mean, practically?
4. This passage is primarily about a woman who is coming to Christ and receiving the gifts of salvation. How can its message apply to those of us who know the Lord, but who are seeking to continue to grow in our walk with Him?

The Forgiven Sinner Loves Much

Luke 7:36-50

Series #44

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **"The Forgiven Sinner Loves Much."** All questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. Are you a "see the glass half full or half empty" kind of person?
2. Where do we find what is perhaps, one of the most powerful events that took place in the life and ministry of our Lord?
3. What is (ought to be) the core and foundation of our Christian lives?
4. What church had so many good things going for them and so many good qualities but had left their first love?
5. Is your love for the Lord fresh and vibrant and the spring from which everything else flows?
6. Do we know why Simon had Jesus over for a meal?
7. Jesus used the occasion to force Simon to do what?
8. Is the event in verse 37 the same as the one during the last week of Jesus' life?
9. What is unique about how people sat when eating in NT times?
10. The woman was weeping as an indication of what?

11. What verb tense is used to refer to something in the past that has ongoing results?
12. It's likely that the woman had experienced what before the event in this passage?
13. The Pharisees often used the term "sinners" to refer to whom?
14. The Pharisee was blinded by what for the woman?
15. What wrong thought did Simon have about Jesus?
16. A denarii was basically equivalent to what?
17. Five hundred denarii represented almost what?
18. What would the debt in the story translate to in today's standard?
19. What is unique about Simon's response?
20. When Jesus said, "I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet," it was like a what?
21. What was an absolute non-negotiable part of appropriate social consideration and proper decorum?
22. In the Middle East it was customary that men would embrace by kissing each other on the cheek as a way of showing what?
23. What action by the woman showed she had the more accurate understanding of the nobility of Jesus?
24. Simon didn't see how much he needed what?
25. How do we know that Jesus is not saying that the woman was forgiven much because she loved much?
26. Salvation results in what?
27. Jesus tells us that the woman loved much because she knew what?
28. Do you see the reality of your sin, the magnitude of your sin and the depth of your sin?
29. Salvation has always been by what?
30. The love this woman had for Jesus was what?
31. Were the people who posed the question in verse 49 confused or objecting?
32. In what sense could the scribes and Pharisees have been right in what they said in Luke 5:20-21?
33. No man can do what?
34. What did Jesus affirm in verse 50?
35. How do you see yourself? Are you like Simon or the woman in this story?