

Lesson 16 February 26, 2025

Who IS That Woman?

Women in the Bible who got it right and those who didn't

Fully Known

Luke 10:38-42;
John 11:1-16, 17-37

1. Mary and Martha appear in three settings in the Gospels. Here is what we know or assume about them:
 - They lived in **Bethany** along with their brother, **Lazarus**.
 - They were **close personal friends** of Jesus, and He was always welcome in their home. "Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus" (John 11:5).
 - They had **financial means**.
 - They were **single**. Martha was the *oldest*.
 - They were **well respected** by their Jewish friends.
 - They were **eyewitnesses** to one of Jesus' **most phenomenal miracles**.
2. In Luke 10:38-42 Jesus was feeling the mounting pressure around Him, so He and His Disciples visited Martha, Mary, and Lazarus for a _____ (v. 38).
3. While Martha busily prepared the meal, she became _____ towards Mary because she was listening to Jesus and not helping with meal prep. Soon Martha had _____ and directed her _____ toward Jesus, accusing Him of not caring about her (vv. 39-40).
4. Jesus listened patiently and then _____ her by saying, "My dear Martha, you are worried and upset over all these _____! There is only _____ worth being concerned about. Mary has discovered it, and it will not be taken away from her" (vv. 41-42).

5. In John 11:1-16 and 17-34 Mary and Martha sent word to Jesus that **Lazarus**, the one He loved, was _____. However, Jesus deliberately did not leave for Bethany at once, but waited until He knew _____ (vv. 1-16).

6. By the time Jesus and the disciples arrived in Bethany, Lazarus had been dead and buried for _____, and many relative, friends and professional mourners were there consoling Martha and Mary (vv. 17-19).

7. When Martha was told that Jesus was on the outskirts of the village, she ran to meet Him. Speaking from the depths of intense grief, she angrily expressed her _____ saying, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But from her _____, she continued - "But even now I know that God will give You whatever You ask of Him" (vv. 20-22).

8. Trying to _____ Martha, Jesus responded by saying, "Your brother will rise again." Thinking He was meaning the resurrection at the end of time, Martha replied, "I know" (vv. 23-24).

9. However, Jesus explained that He was the _____ and asked Martha if she understood. Her response was one of the greatest declarations of faith - "Yes, Lord, I believe that You are the Christ the Son of God, who was to come into the world"- _____ (vv. 25-27).

10. Martha left and told Mary Jesus was asking for her. Mary ran to Jesus, fell at His feet, and expressed the _____ as Martha - "If You had been here, my brother would not have died" (vv. 28-32).

11. Seeing how distraught she was, Jesus was deeply moved, troubled, and heartbroken and _____ Himself (vv. 33-35).

12. When Jesus arrived at Lazarus' tomb, He commanded the men to roll the stone away from the entrance. Martha immediately _____ because of the stench (vv. 38-39).

13. Jesus quickly reminded her about their previous conversation and thanked His Father for hearing and responding to Him (vv. 40-42).

14. Then with all eyes on Jesus this seemingly sad situation reached a loud crescendo when Jesus shouted, "Lazarus, come out!" And he did! (vv. 43-46).

What can I learn from Mary and Martha?



I'm thankful I don't have to _____ being a Martha or a Mary but can look to them as role models for _____. God created me with a unique personality with my own giftedness. Therefore, spending time with God and serving Him should be _____.



Even with all my imperfections, I _____ am "_____."

HOMWORK

Song: _____ By: _____

Review: Reread Luke 10 and John 11 looking for additional lessons you may learn from Mary & Martha

Homework: The Sinful Woman Luke 7:36-50