

MY NOTES

JESUS AND WOMEN

THIS STORY IN CHURCH HISTORY

Two stories

Mary Magdalene?

LUKE 7:36-50 (ESV)

³⁶One of the **Pharisees** asked him to eat with him, and he went into the **Pharisee's** house and took his place at the table.

³⁷And 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, ³⁸and 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.

A sinner...

An act with social courage...

What a scene...

Questions

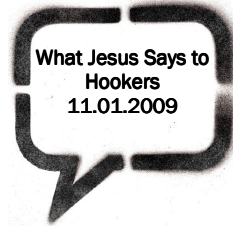
1. *What is this Pharisee thinking?*
2. *What is Jesus thinking?*

³⁹Now 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.**"

⁴⁰And Jesus answering said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he answered, "Say it, Teacher."

A PARABLE THAT EXPOSES THE HEART (VERSES 41-43)

Debts and Receiving Gifts



WHAT DO WE SEE? WHAT DO WE HEAR JESUS SAYING?

- Jesus' Reputation is Clear
- This Brings two Conflicts
- A Full picture of Jesus' Identity
- How Grace affects Sinful people

Grace

Forgiveness

**Repentance
& faith**

Love for God

Life Change

COMMUNITY MEDITATION

- Read Luke 7:36-50 together. Discuss the social atmosphere when this woman showed up at the religious leaders house, seemingly uninvited, and making a scene. What would you have thought?
- Jesus tells a story about two people in debt to teach us something about gratitude and love. If you had no debt and someone gave you a gift of cash that would be great. If you had a huge debt that someone paid that would be better? Agree? Disagree? Think about what it feels like to owe a heavy debt.
- Jesus told the Pharisee—he who is forgiven much, loves much? In what ways can we love God today?
- Read John 14:15-21. Discuss the relationship between love and obedience. Which comes first in our lives?
- Read Luke 15 in preparation for next Sunday.