

# JESUS IS IN THE House

*“<sup>36</sup>Now one of the Pharisees invited Jesus to have dinner with him, so he went to the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. <sup>37</sup>When a woman who had lived a sinful life in that town learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, she brought an alabaster jar of perfume, <sup>38</sup>and as she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them. <sup>39</sup>When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, ‘If this man were a prophet, he would know who is touching him and what kind of woman she is—that she is a sinner.’” – Luke 7:36-39*

**Both of them are untouchable –**

- 1. She is untouchable by religious people because of her sinfulness.**
- 2. The Pharisee is untouchable because he has made himself untouchable. He is untouchable because of his self-righteousness.**

**Pharisees – religious leaders of the day.**

**She is defined by her sinfulness, *but* she's about to be redefined by forgiveness.**

**Four Ways She Worshiped:**

- 1. She \_\_\_\_\_.**

**She was looking for hope. She was looking for forgiveness.**

- 2. She \_\_\_\_\_.**

**She worshiped humbly because she stood behind Jesus weeping.**

- 3. She \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Because she brings this alabaster jar of perfume. This jar symbolizes her life.**

**This jar is her confession. True worshipers, “*worship in spirit and in truth.*” – John 4:24**

- 4. She \_\_\_\_\_.**
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**God isn't asking you to make promises that you cannot keep. He's asking you to receive a promise that only he can keep.**

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*"<sup>40</sup>Jesus answered him, 'Simon, I have something to tell you.' 'Tell me, teacher,' he said. <sup>41</sup>'Two men owed money to a certain moneylender. One owed him five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. <sup>42</sup>Neither of them had the money to pay him back, so he canceled the debts of both. Now which of them will love him more?' <sup>43</sup>Simon replied, 'I suppose the one who had the bigger debt canceled.' 'You have judged correctly,' Jesus said.'" – Luke 7:40-43 (NIV)*

**Love and forgiveness go hand in hand.**

*"<sup>44</sup>Then he turned toward the woman and said to Simon, 'Do you see this woman? I came into your house. You did not give me any water for my feet, but she wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. <sup>45</sup>You did not give me a kiss, but this woman, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing my feet. <sup>46</sup>You did not put oil on my head, but she has poured perfume on my feet. <sup>47</sup>Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven—for she loved much. But he who has been forgiven little loves little.'" – Luke 7:44-47 (NIV)*

**He who was forgiven little loves little.**

**He who is forgiven much loves much.**

**If my love of God is shallow, it means that I don't understand the depth of my sinfulness.**

*"Jesus turned toward the woman and he said to Simon," – Luke 7:44*

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**Jesus placed himself between the woman and her accuser.**

*"God opposes the proud and he gives grace to the humble." – James 4:6*

*"So in light of everything I just told you about love and forgiveness Simon, how loving are you? When I came into the house you didn't greet me the ways custom says you should greet me the way custom says you should greet me. You didn't wash my feet to get the dirt off my feet. You didn't anoint me with oil. But this woman did all of these things for me. Simon, how loving are you?" – Luke 7:44-46*

*"Your sins are forgiven. Your faith has saved you. Go in peace." – Luke 7:48*

*"Love always hopes, it always trusts, it keeps no record of wrongs and love covers a multitude of sins." – 1 Corinthians 13:4-7*

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