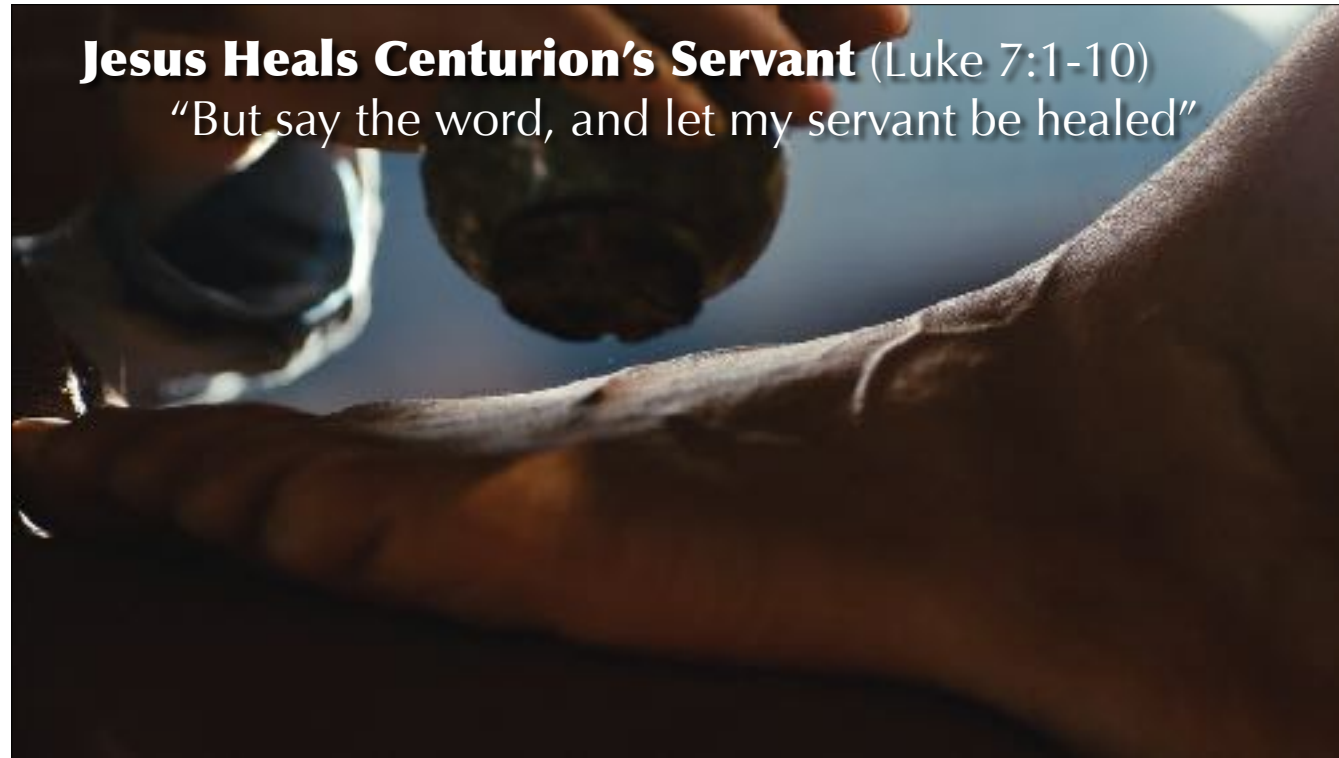




- Luke 7:36-50
- Scripture Reading: Psalm 51



- Luke 7:1-10: Centurion's servant healed
 - Authority of Jesus (power): "But say the word, and let my servant be healed" (7)
 - Faith of Centurion: "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith" (9)



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 - "God has visited his people!"
 - Report spread through all of Judea and country



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- Luke 7:18-23: Messengers from John the Baptizer
 - "Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?" (19)
 - Luke 7:22-23 (from Isaiah 35:5-6) "Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, the poor have good news preached to them. 23 And blessed is the one who is not offended by me."



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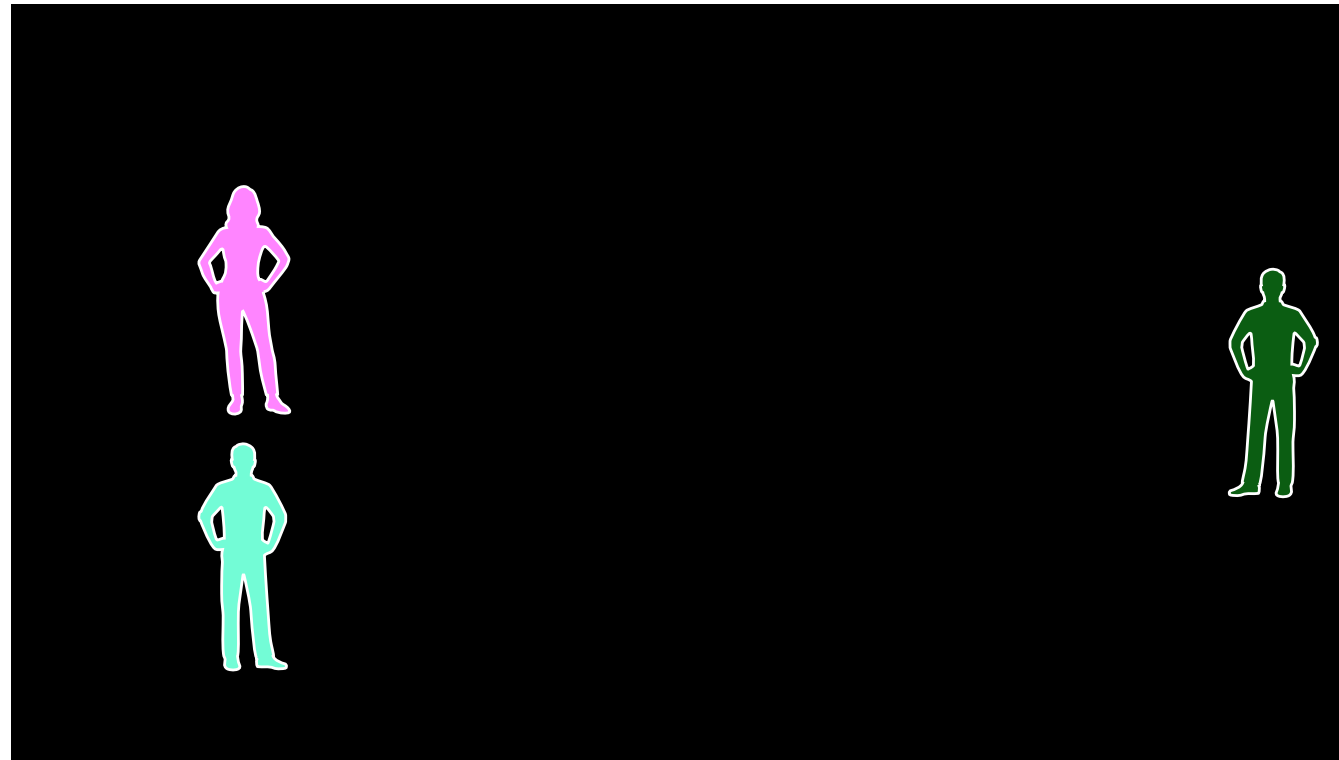
- News of Jesus was spreading
- But the opinions about him varied greatly.
 - Authority and Power
 - Great Prophet
 - Messiah?
 - Offended!
 - Glutton, drunkard, friend of tax collectors and sinners
- Luke 7:36ff



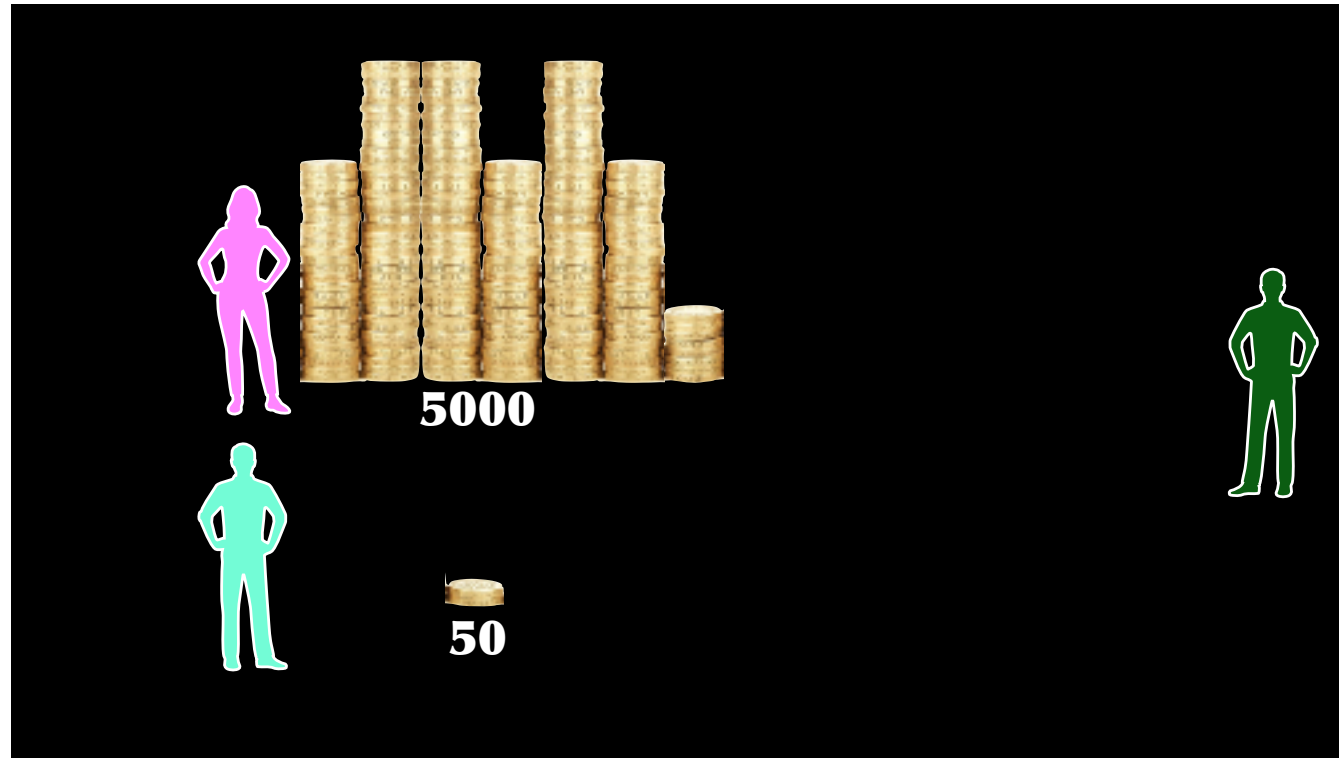
- Luke 7:36 (ESV) 36 One of the Pharisees asked him to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and reclined at table.
- Invite
 - How treat a guest at your house?
 - What is the implication if you don't treat the guest as expected?
- Why?
 - Often testing Jesus: find out who he is, or prove who he isn't



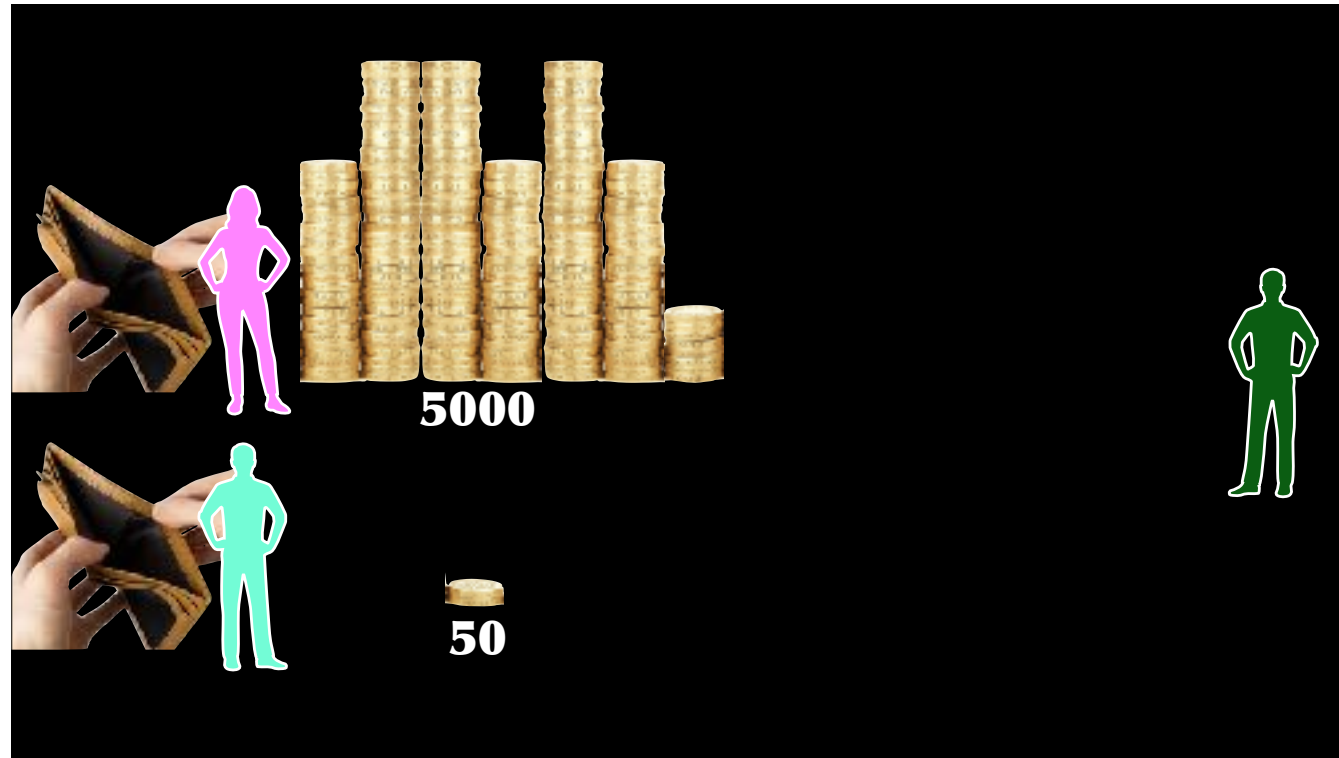
- Luke 7:39 (ESV) Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, **“If this man were a prophet**, he would have known who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, for she is a sinner.”



- Luke 7:41 (ESV) “A certain moneylender had two debtors.



- One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty.



- Luke 7:42 (ESV) When they could not pay



- he cancelled the debt of both.
- Cancelled
 - Thayer: g5483
 - to do something pleasant or agreeable (to one), to do a favour to, gratify
 - to show one's self gracious, kind, benevolent
 - to grant forgiveness, to pardon
 - to give graciously, give freely, bestow
 - to forgive
 - graciously to restore one to another
 - to preserve for one a person in peril



- (CWSB Dictionary) 5483. grace. To show someone a favor, be kind to.
 - (CWSB Dictionary) The most common meaning peculiar to the NT is to pardon, to graciously remit a person's sin (Col. 2:13). With the acc. only, charízomai means to forgive something (2 Cor. 2:10; 12:13); with the dat. only, to forgive someone, be gracious to (Eph. 4:32; Col. 3:13). 2 Cor. 2:7 uses it without any expressed obj. with the meaning to forgive.
 - In Luke 7:42, 43 it means simply to pardon or remit a penalty.



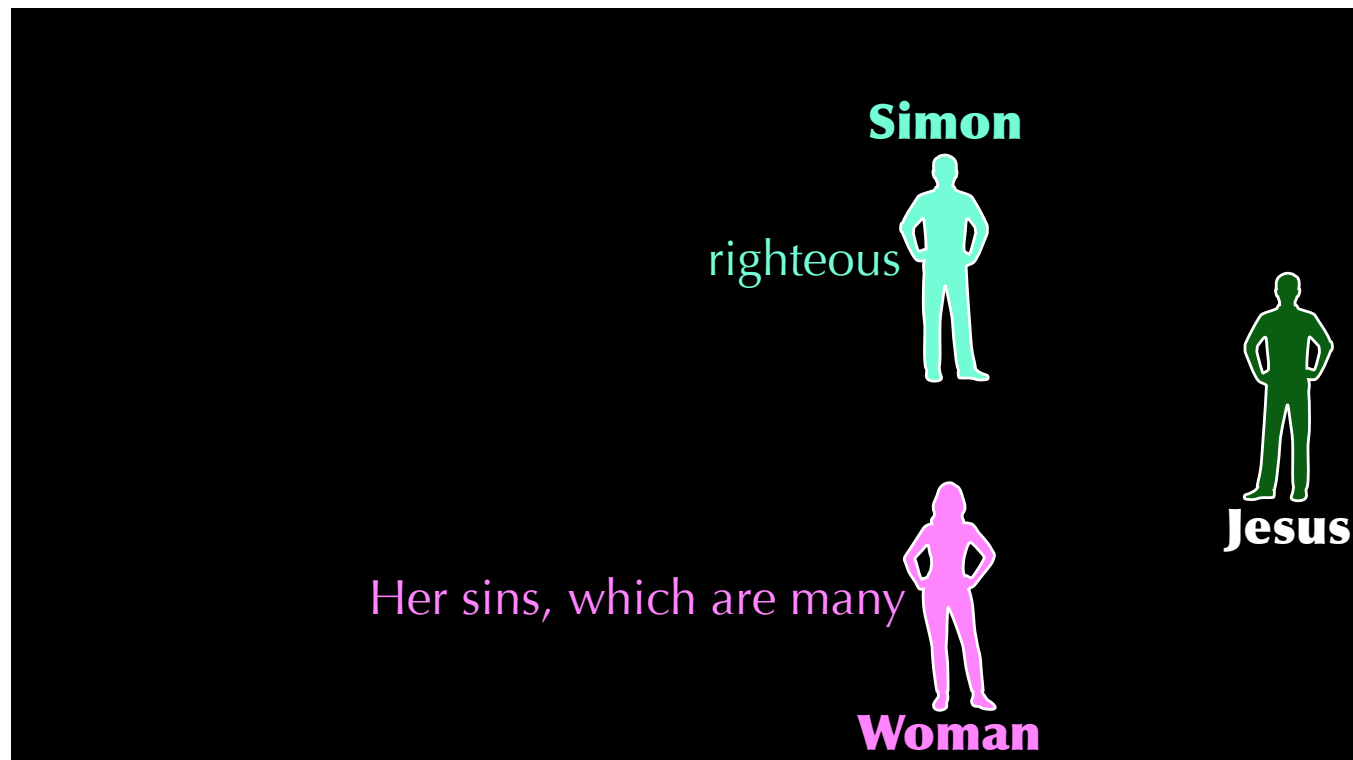
- Now which of them will love him more?"



- Unexpected question.
 - Which one will be happier?
 - Which one will be more grateful?
 - Which one will be more relieved?
- Which one will love him more?
 - Who loves a moneylender?
 - It depends on the moneylender!

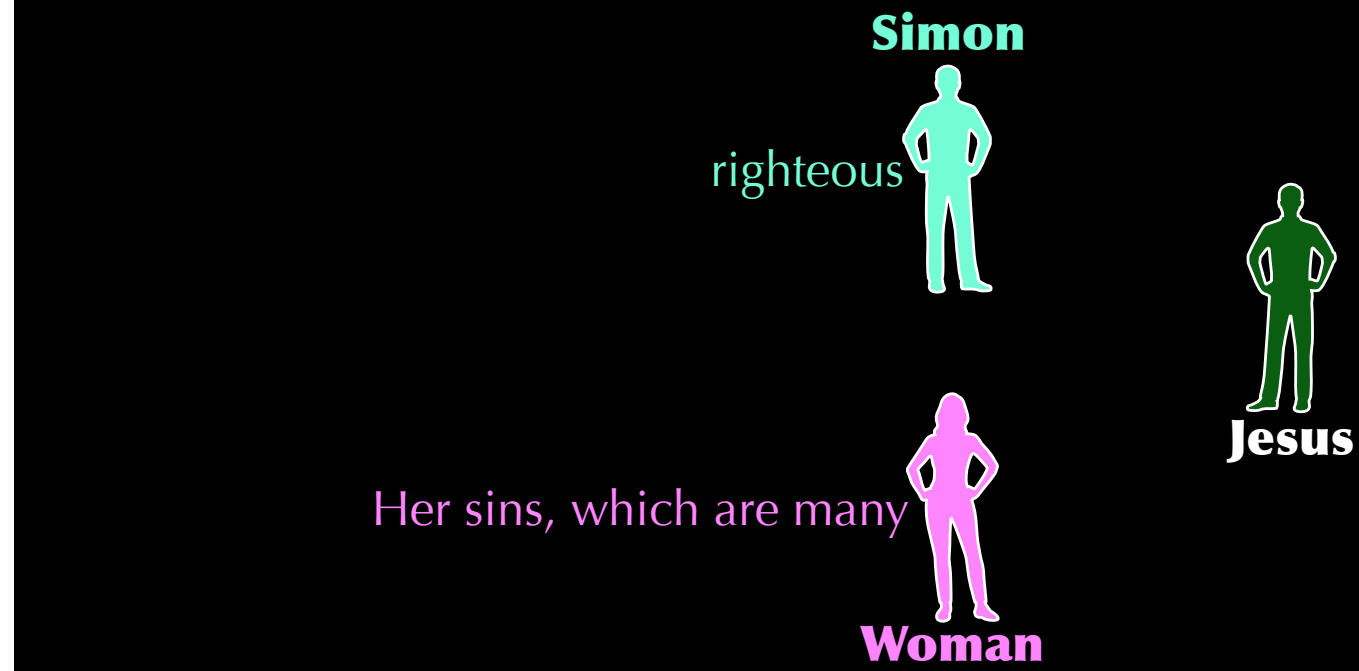


- 43 Simon answered, “The one, I suppose, for whom he cancelled the larger debt.”
- And he said to him, “You have judged rightly.”



- Jesus' parable is easily understood in the current situation.
- The Pharisee is the man who owed 50...
 - He saw his sinfulness as being not that bad
 - He saw himself as basically a good person
 - Striving for righteousness
- The woman is the one who owed 5000
 - She was a reputation of being a sinner.
 - Jesus said: "Her sins, which are many"
 - She seems to have understood that she was a sinful woman.

Now which of them will love him more?



- Jesus is “like” the moneylender.
 - When we sin, we sin against God.
- Jesus is drawing comparison between these two people.
 - And knowing who Jesus is.
 - It’s about love.
- Luke 7:44 (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.

Now which of them will love him more?

Simon

No water for my feet



Jesus

Wet feet with tears, wiped with hair



Woman

- When Jesus enter Simon's house, he had not shown basic, expected hospitality.
 - a reflection of what he thought of Jesus? (very little)
 - Simon didn't know who Jesus was.
- S: No water for my feet.
- W: Wet feet with her tears; wiped feet with her hair
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Simon

No water for my feet

No kiss



Jesus

Wet feet with tears, wiped with hair

Kiss my feet



Woman

- 45 You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet.

Now which of them will love him more?

Simon

No water for my feet

No kiss

Not anoint head with oil



Jesus

Wet feet with tears, wiped with hair

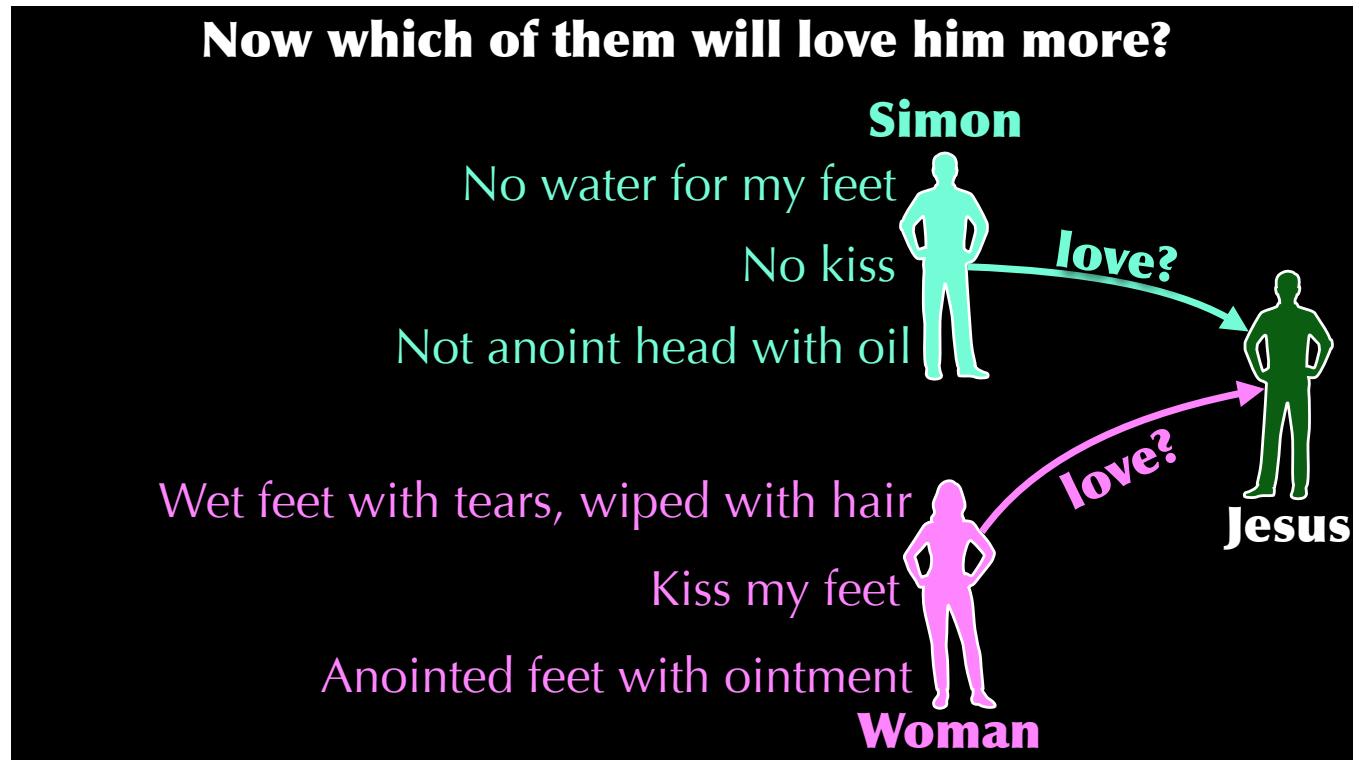
Kiss my feet

Anointed feet with ointment



Woman

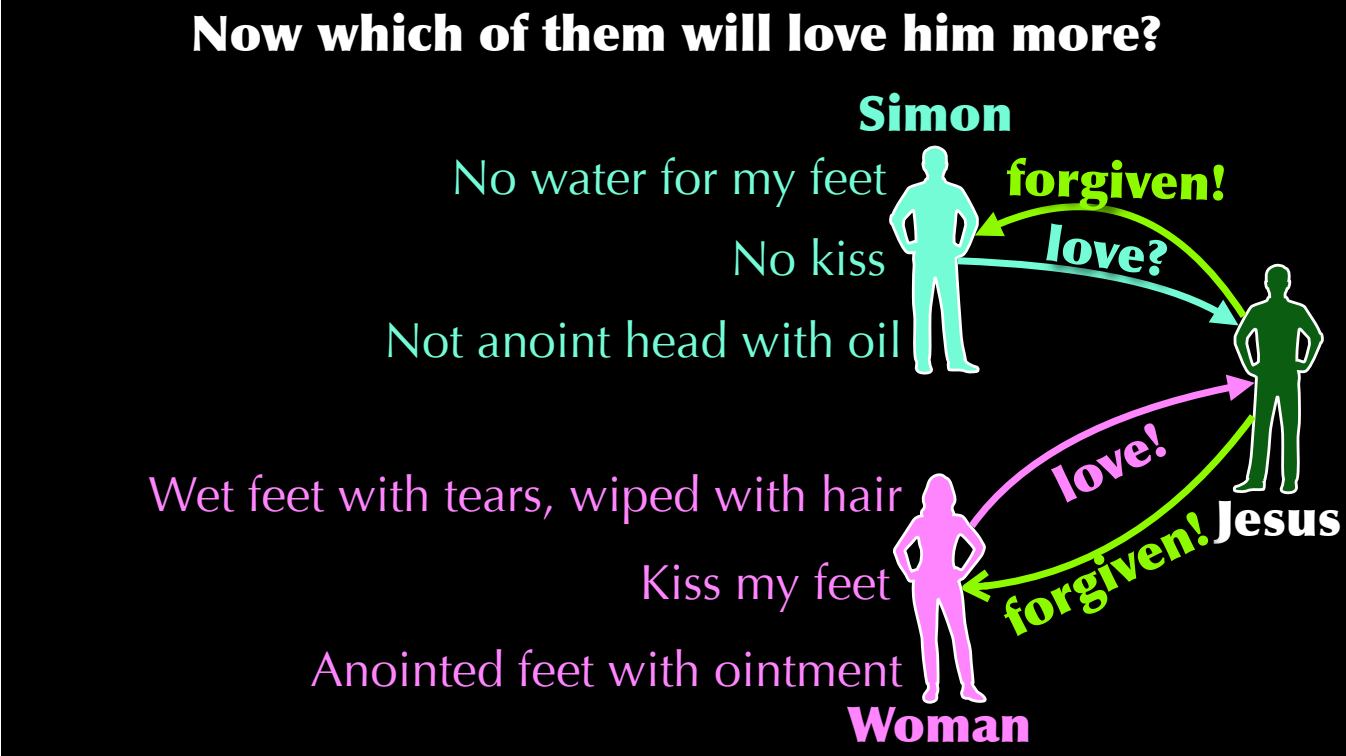
- 46 You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment.



- She honored Jesus by her actions.
 - Implies that she knew who Jesus was
 - Does she love Jesus?
 - Even before being forgiven?
- Simon did not honor Jesus.
 - He should have had better knowledge of the Scriptures and prophecies.
 - He was blinded though.



- 47 Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much.
- But he who is forgiven little, loves little.”
 - Was Simon really less of a sinner than the woman?
 - He thought so.
 - But all have sinned.
 - He loved little because he didn't value his forgiveness.
 - His forgiveness meant less to him.



- Luke 7:49 (ESV) 49 Then those who were at table with him began to say among themselves, “Who is this, who even forgives sins?”



- Jesus' Forgiving of the Paralytic
- Luke 5:20-21 (ESV) 20 And when he saw their faith, he said, "Man, your sins are forgiven you." 21 And the scribes and the Pharisees began to question, saying, "Who is this who speaks blasphemies? **Who can forgive sins but God alone?**"
- Luke 5:26 (ESV) 26 And amazement seized them all, and they glorified God and were filled with awe, saying, "We have seen extraordinary things today."



- Luke 7:44 (ESV) Then turning toward the woman he said to Simon, **“Do you see this woman?”**
 - Clearly, he had dismissed her
 - Clearly, he only saw her sinfulness
 - Clearly, he would not have let her touch him. (too holy, too righteous)
 - But this woman honored Jesus and had faith in Him!
- Luke 7:49 (ESV) 49 Then those who were at table with him began to say among themselves, “Who is this, who even forgives sins?”
 - They still didn’t know who Jesus was.
 - They didn’t honor him.
 - They certainly didn’t love him.

Forgiveness

- Let's talk about this extraordinary gift of forgiveness from Jesus.

Forgiveness

Know Jesus

- It's really important to know Jesus.
 - Go beyond what we've been taught by others.
 - See him for who he really is.

Forgiveness

Know Jesus

He is in the business of forgiveness.

- Why did Jesus forgive the sinful woman?
 - Because she was nice to him?
 - She acted like she was forgiven, before she was forgiven. Faith!
 - Because that's what He does!
- He is in the business of forgiveness.
 - Story of the Bible is God's plan to save us
 - We all sin.
 - We all need forgiveness to be saved and reconciled.
- Too many people think of God differently
 - Wrath
 - Vindication, justice
- It was Simon who condemned this woman (based on... reputation?)
 - It was Jesus who forgave this woman.

Forgiveness

Know Jesus

He has the authority to forgive your sins.

- He has the authority.
 - Heal paralytic
 - Luke 5:24 (ESV) But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins”—he said to the man who was paralyzed—“I say to you, rise, pick up your bed and go home.”

Forgiveness

Know Jesus

He has the power to forgive your sins.

- He has the power.
 - Heal sick from a distance with a word.
 - Raise a dead man.
 - Heal paralytic.

Forgiveness

Know Jesus

He loves you.

- He loves you.
 - Why did Jesus go to eat with the Pharisee?
 - Opportunity to teach, save.
 - He loved him.
 - Did Jesus want to forgive Simon?
 - Why did Jesus forgive the woman?
 - He loves her.
 - She sought Him. She loved Him. She had faith in Him.
- John 3:16 (ESV) 16 “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Forgiveness

Know Jesus

He is in the business of forgiveness.

He has the authority to forgive your sins.

He has the power to forgive your sins.

He loves you.

- When you know Jesus, you know forgiveness is real.

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Forgiveness

Responding to Forgiveness

- What is the proper response to being forgiven?

Forgiveness

Responding to Forgiveness

How much have I been forgiven?

- How much have I been forgiven?
 - Forgiven much or forgiven little?
 - How do I see my sins?
 - I haven't sinned?
 - I'm a good person.
 - I'm better than most people.
 - I've done a lot of things wrong.
- Forgiven ALL MY SINS.
 - many, few, big, and small
 - He forgives them all.

Forgiveness

Responding to Forgiveness

Love

- Love.
 - Luke 7:47 (ESV) Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little.”
- Think about your relationship with your Father and Jesus.
 - Is it based in grace or wrath?
 - Is it based in love or fear?
 - Is it based in forgiveness or guilt?
 - Joy or Dread?

Forgiveness

Responding to Forgiveness

Teach

- Teach
 - Psalms 51:13 (ESV) Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.
- What do we teach those who are lost?
 - They need to learn about sin and consequences of sin.
 - They need to learn about Jesus and forgiveness.
- Then they will return!

Forgiveness

Responding to Forgiveness

Sing and Praise

- Sing and Praise
 - Psalms 51:14-15 (ESV) 14 Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, O God of my salvation, and **my tongue will sing aloud** of your righteousness. 15 O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will **declare your praise**.
- There's a reason we sing and praise God: forgiveness.
 - Personally.
 - Worship together.
 - Publicly.
- Psalms 107:22 (ESV) 22 And let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and tell of his deeds in songs of joy!

Forgiveness

Responding to Forgiveness

Sacrifices

- Sacrifices: My heart
 - Psalms 51:17 (ESV) 17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.
 - Hebrews 13:15 (ESV) Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.

Forgiveness

Responding to Forgiveness

Forgive Others

- Forgive Others
 - Luke 11:4 (ESV) and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.
 - If our Father is in the business of forgiveness, shouldn't I be in the same business.
 - Righteous people look for opportunities and reasons to forgive.

Forgiveness

Responding to Forgiveness

How much have I been forgiven?

Love

Teach

Sing and Praise

Sacrifices

Forgive Others

- How should I respond to being forgiven?
 - Know my sin, and how great my forgiveness is.
 - Love God
 - Teach Lost
 - Sing with Joy.
 - Sacrifice: Pride, humble myself.
 - Forgive others



- Clear connection between forgiveness and love.
 - Forgiveness springs from God's love for us.
 - Our love for him, helps us to seek forgiveness when we know Him.
- If I am unwilling to forgive, I lack love.
 - (Don't be a Simon)

**We implore you on
behalf of Christ,
be reconciled to God.**

2 Corinthians 5:20

You can be forgiven today.

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Who Is This, Who Even Forgives Sin?

Luke 7:36-50

Synopsis: In this lesson we explore the connection between forgiveness and love. Jesus's forgiveness of the sinful woman is a stark contrast to Simon's condemnation. When we know Jesus we will seek his forgiveness in faith; and we will respond by being loving and forgiving.

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