GRATITUDE SIGNS Luke 7.36-50

Luke shares a story with three main characters: Jesus, a religious leader, and a sinful woman. In it we can discover how to live a life of gratitude.

The Pharisee: A portrait of ingratitude

- He has an attitude of **SUPERIORITY**.
- He lacks **EMPATHY** for others.
- He views Jesus as just a **TOOL** for a **BETTER LIFE**.
- He possesses inaccurate <u>SELF-REFLECTION</u>.
 "But whoever has been forgiven little loves little." v 47

The "sinful woman": A portrait of gratitude.

1. You are **SEARCHING FOR JESUS.**

A woman in that town who lived a sinful life learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, so she came there with an alabaster jar of perfume. v 37

2.	You recognize	JESUS'	IMPORTANCE	and	react	accordingly.

"You did not put oil on my head, but she has poured perfume on my feet." v 46

3. You realize your own **UNIMPORTANCE: HUMILITY**.

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. v38

4. You boldly live out your **RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS**.

"...she wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair....[she] has not stopped kissing my feet." v 44-45

5. You have a **GIVING HEART** and show **LOVE TO OTHERS**.

"Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven—as her great love has shown. But whoever has been forgiven little loves little." $\,v$ 47

What is God saying to me?

What am I going to do about it?

Love God, Love Others, Learn Jesus, DO SOMETHING!

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