

Jesus and Relationships Part 2

Lesson #12

Luke 7:36-8:21

Jesus and the Prostitute – 7:36-50

Setting

1. Using Luke 7:36 & 37:
 - Where is Jesus?
 - What is the occasion?
 - Who does it say is there?
 - Who else can we assume is with Jesus? (See also verse 49)

The Story

2. When the sinful woman (prostitute) heard where Jesus was, what did she do that was unusual? (Luke 7:37, 38)
3. Using Luke 7:39:
 - Whom did the Pharisee speak to about this?
 - What were his comments?
 - What do you think he expected Jesus to do because of this?
4. In verse 40 it says, “*Jesus answered him.*” Based on your answers to question three, do you see any irony here?

5. What title does the Pharisee use to address Jesus? (Luke 7:40)
6. In answering, Jesus asked the Pharisee a question about two men who owed money to the same man; one owed much, the other little. When the two debts were cancelled, Jesus asked which debtor loved the one who canceled the debt more. Simon (the Pharisee) answered, *"I suppose the one who has the bigger debt cancelled."* Jesus said he was correct and the teaching moment was now set. Using verses 44 – 46:
- Whom was Jesus facing as he was speaking?
 - To whom did Jesus direct his speech?
 - Compare what Jesus said about each one:

Simon – the Pharisee	The sinful woman

7. Then Jesus moved to the heart of his message. What did Jesus tell Simon in verse 47?
8. After addressing Simon, Jesus then spoke to the woman. What did he say to her? (Luke 7:48 & 50)
9. Luke doesn't say how the woman reacted, but from the parable we can assume it was with "great love." How did it affect the other guests that were present? (Luke 7:49)

Jesus Second Tour of Galilee – 8:1-39

Parable of the Sower – 8:1-15

Setting

10. Using Luke 8:1-3:
- Where was Jesus located?

- What was he doing?
- Who was with him?
- What does it say was the significance of the women who accompanied Jesus?

The Story

11. Read Luke 8:4-15. Who was Jesus' audience?

12. In this parable, Jesus taught that a farmer was out sowing his seeds. The seeds fell on four different types of soil. What was the resulting crop according to the soil on which it fell? (Luke 8:5-7)

Type of Soil	Result
The Path	
Rocky Soil	
Thorny or Weed-filled Soil	
Good Soil	

13. Jesus' disciples asked what this parable meant but before he answered, what explanation did he give them for using parables? (Luke 8:10)

14. What was his explanation of the following: (Luke 8:11-15)

	Explanation
The Seed	
The Path	
Rocky Soil	
Thorny or weed-filled Soil	
Good Soil	

15. From this parable, what do you think Jesus was teaching his disciples?

Lamp on a Stand – 8:16-18

16. We will assume this was given to the same or similar audience as that of the Sower and may have been a further explanation of the Sower parable. Using the illustration of a lamp, what does Jesus say is the purpose of a lamp? (Luke 8:16)

17. What else does he say about the light? (Luke 8:17)

18. What is Jesus' warning to them? (Luke 8:18)

Jesus' Family Visits – 8:19-21

19. This incident is recorded in the Synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark & Luke.) According to Mark 3:20, what background is given regarding:

- Jesus' location
- His audience
- The situation

20. Why does it say that Jesus' family came to see him? (Mark 3:21)

21. How does Luke describe this? (Luke 8:19-20)

22. What is Jesus' response to the information that his family has arrived, in:
 - Luke 8:21

 - Matthew 12:48-50

23. What do you think Jesus meant by his statement? (See also John 7:5)