

# UNDERFOOT

May 10, 2020

To “sit at the feet” of a rabbi was to assume a posture of submission to that particular rabbi’s teachings. While Jesus had many disciples, it is interesting that we don’t read about them sitting at His feet. There is one notable exception, however. There is one of Jesus’ disciples who is found repeatedly at the feet of Jesus. No, it’s not Peter, James, or John. In fact, it isn’t any of the twelve disciples or the countless other men who followed Jesus. It is, instead, Mary. Join us on Mother’s Day for a message examining when and why Mary so frequently paused at Jesus’ feet and how we can learn from her example.

## **Three occasions when Mary was found at the feet of Jesus:**

### **Luke 10:38-42**

Motivation: Mary paused to \_\_\_\_\_ at the feet of Jesus.

Opposition: Her sister, Martha

Outcome: An \_\_\_\_\_ reward

### **John 11:30-36**

Motivation: Mary paused to \_\_\_\_\_ at the feet of Jesus.

Opposition: Her friends and neighbors

Outcome: Jesus shared her \_\_\_\_\_ and raised her brother from the dead.

### **John 12:1-8**

Motivation: Mary paused to \_\_\_\_\_ at the feet of Jesus.

Opposition: Judas and the other disciples

Outcome: Mary’s act of worship became a \_\_\_\_\_ for all believers.

## **Practices (DO):**

Spend some time at Jesus’ feet. Following an unhurried Savior means you should make frequent stops. Whenever Jesus stops, that is your invitation to stop and wait at His feet. Ask yourself these questions:

1. What is God inviting you to learn during this pause?
2. What do you need to grieve during this pause?
3. How can you serve Him during this pause?

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## **SUGGESTED READING LIST FOR "PAUSE":**

**40 Days to Lasting Change: An AHA Challenge**, Kyle Idleman

**40 Days of Purpose**, Rick Warren

**A Call to Die**, David Nasser

**Emotionally Healthy Spirituality**, Peter Scazzero

**Emotionally Healthy Spirituality Day by Day**, Peter Scazzero

**Ninety Days with the Disciple Jesus Loves**, Gary Lee Webber

**My Utmost for His Highest**, Oswald Chambers

**Morning and Evening**, Charles Spurgeon

## **Other sermons you may want to check out at [ssbc.org](http://ssbc.org)**

**Awakening (2015)**

**Prayer Journey (2018)**

**One (2017)**

**Boundaries (2019)**



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## SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION (WEEK OF MAY 10-16, 2020)

### **HANGOUT (Warming up to the topic)**

1. Do you have any lingering questions or thoughts related to this week's teaching or daily readings?
2. Have you found yourself more or less likely to sit at Jesus' feet during our current global crisis? Why do you think this has been the case?

### **HEAR (Listening to God through scripture)**

3. Read Acts 22:3.
  - Have you ever considered that Mary's desire to sit at Jesus' feet may have been her commitment to be His disciple?
  - How would that possibility change your understanding of this passage? Martha's response? Jesus' answer to Martha?
  - Is learning at Jesus' feet different from gaining knowledge from a teacher, preacher, or through your own study? If so, how?
  - When was the last time you learned at Jesus' feet? What did He teach you?
4. Read 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14.
  - Is there a difference between grieving with and without hope? How so?
  - In John 11, we read that Jesus wept along with Mary and the mourners. How was Jesus' grief different from the mourners?
  - Read Isaiah 53:4. How does this passage exemplify that prediction about Jesus?
  - Have you ever grieved at Jesus' feet? Why is it important to bring our sorrows to Him?
5. Read Romans 12:1-2.
  - Do you see any similarities between Romans 12:1-2 and the examples of Mary at Jesus' feet? If so, what are they?
  - What opposition did Mary receive while at Jesus' feet? Do you believe that sitting at Jesus' feet invites oppression? Why or why not?
  - What is the most extravagant act of worship you have ever personally witnessed or experienced? How did it make you feel to see/experience that?
  - What will you do to spend more time at Jesus' feet this week?

### **HUDDLE (Making it personal and praying together - in huddles)**

6. Mary learned, grieved, and worshipped at Jesus' feet. How are you doing each of those right now? Are you currently motivated more by a desire to learn, to express some grief, or to bring a sacrificial offering of praise? Talk about it, invite accountability, and take time to pray.

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### **DAILY READING:**

**Monday:** Luke 10

**Thursday:** John 13

**Saturday:** Romans 12

**Tuesday:** John 11

**Friday:** Mark 14

**Sunday:** 1 Thessalonians

**Wednesday:** John 12