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## Women who met Jesus

John 2, 4, 8, 11, 19

"The power of a mother's prayers with all her children kneeling around is far greater than any public ministry."

Charles H. Spurgeon

2:1,2 On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; and both Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding.



3 When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine."

4 And Jesus said to her, "Woman\*, what does that have to do with us? My hour has not yet come."

\*γυνή - gyne – 'fair lady' OR 'gentlewoman'



5 His mother said to the servants, "Whatever He says to you, do it."

#### Mary – Mother of Jesus John 2 - Respect

- Jesus attending wedding at Cana
- Jesus mother feels responsible
- Jesus reminds her of His mission
- Jesus replies with respect to His mother
- · 'honor' "value" Ex 20 > Eph 6



"I learnt more about Christianity from my mother than from all the theologians in England."

John Wesley

4:7 There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink."

9 Therefore the Samaritan woman said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.)



10 Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."



11 She said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with and the well is deep; where then do You get that living water?

12 You are not greater than our father Jacob, are You, who gave us the well, and drank of it himself and his sons and his cattle?"

13 Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again;

14 but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life."

#### Samaritan Woman – John 4 - Receptive

- Jesus was speaking because He knew
- She replied in surprise Jew to Samaritan
- She replied in history man to woman
- She replied to Messiah



# True Motherhood: unearned love freely given!



John 8:3 The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman caught in adultery, and having set her in the center of the court,

4 they said to Him, "Teacher, this woman has been caught in adultery, in the very act.



5 Now in the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women; what then do You say?"

6 They were saying this, testing Him, so that they might have grounds for accusing Him. But Jesus stooped down and with His finger wrote on the ground.

7 But when they persisted in asking Him, He straightened up, and said to them, "He who is without sin among you, let him be the first to throw a stone at her."



8 Again He stooped down and wrote on the ground.

9 When they heard it, they began to go out one by one, beginning with the older ones, and He was left alone, and the woman, where she was, in the center of the court.

10 Straightening up, Jesus said to her, "Woman, where are they? Did no one condemn you?"

11 She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said, "I do not condemn you, either. Go. From now on sin no more."



#### Adulterous Woman – Responsive – John 8

- Jesus responds to accusers
- Jesus responds to accused
- Jesus responds to sin
- Jesus responds to sinners!



No matter how far or how deep – at the end will be the forgiveness of a Mother!



11:17-18 So when Jesus came, He found that he had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off;

19 and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary, to console them concerning their brother.



20-21 Martha therefore, when she heard that Jesus was coming, went to meet Him, but Mary stayed at the house. Martha then said to Jesus, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died.



22-23 Even now I know that whatever You ask of God, God will give You." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."



24 Martha said to Him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day."

25-26 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies, and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?"



27 She said to Him, "Yes, Lord; I have believed that You are the Christ, the Son of God, even He who comes into the world."

# Mary & Martha – John 11 Resurrection

- True Loss
- True Love
- True Faith



"Children are not a distraction from more important work. They are the most important work."

C.S. Lewis

19:25 Therefore the soldiers did these things. But standing by the cross of Jesus were His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.

20:1 Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came early to the tomb, while it was still dark, and saw the stone already taken away from the tomb.

20:11 But Mary was standing outside the tomb weeping; and so, as she wept, she stooped and looked into the tomb;

12 and she saw two angels in white sitting, one at the head and one at the feet, where the body of Jesus had been lying.



13 And they said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him."

14 When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, and did not know that it was Jesus.

15 Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing Him to be the gardener, she said to Him, "Sir, if you have carried Him away, tell me where you have laid Him, and I will take Him away."



16 Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to Him in Hebrew, "Rabboni!" (which means, Teacher).

#### Jesus loved women too!

- His Mother Mary
- Samaritan Woman
- Adulterous Woman
- Mary & Martha
- Mary Magdalene
- · YOU TOO!



"Only God Himself fully appreciates the influence of a Christian mother in the molding of character in her children."

Billy Graham



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