



REFLECT

Sermon Discussion Questions - April 19 & 21, 2024

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Luke 10:38-42

Sermon Resources

Every week, we cultivate a list of resources to help you dig even deeper into the text and message from a weekend service. You can check them out at cornerstonechurch.community/resources.

Cornerstone Men

More than just pancakes and devotions, Cornerstone Men exists to build a community of men who face the challenges of life together and learn to follow Jesus more closely through action and shared experiences. cornerstonechurch.community/men

RightNow Media

Cornerstone provides access to RightNow Media, so if your group would like to use their resources for a study, check out the site! rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/cornerstonesi

Cornerstone Women

Cornerstone Women's mission is to help women follow Jesus through growth in community at Cornerstone Church. cornerstonechurch.community/women

Meal for Celebrate Recovery

Each week, a small group provides dinner for those in attendance at Celebrate Recovery. If your group is interested in serving in this way, email Gayle at gdwight@cornerstone.team

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Questions:

- Read Luke 10:38-42. Martha's assumptions about Mary's role led to feelings of deep frustration. We are guilty of the same mistake. Do you ever become frustrated with other believers—not because of a sin they are committing, but because of your ideas about what they “should” be doing?
- On a scale of 1-10 (**1 being not at all and 10 being VERY**), how busy are you? How does your busyness affect your relationship with God and with others? (Think: spouse, friends, colleagues, extended family, children, etc.)

- Like Martha, we can tend to prioritize *servicing* Jesus instead of *being with* Jesus. Have you ever jumped into the work of God before spending time with Him? How did it impact your effectiveness?
- The passage emphasizes that Martha was “distracted” with much serving. What are the main distractions you encounter during your times with God (both in personal and public worship)? Why do these things so easily grab your attention? How do you fight against them?
- Martha’s gift of service had become an end to itself. It began harming the very thing it was meant to nurture—a warm environment of fellowship! What are some “red flags” you notice in yourself when your service is becoming “excessive”? How do misplaced expectations affect your view of the people you are serving?
- How can you honor your desire to “get things done” while abiding in Christ to fuel your work? Why is this balance so important? What practical changes could you make this week to help you with this?
- Martha was subscribing to a “performance-based” kind of love. Many of us are the same way. We feel loved and valued when we perform well...but when we do not, we feel shame. Is this true for you? Discuss your reactions to the following statement: “Jesus does not love you because of what you can do for Him!”
- When our assumptions are wrong, our most diligent actions will fail! How do you need to repent this week in light of this passage? It could relate to busyness, a distracted attitude, feelings of anxiety/wanting to be in control, “doing good” for Jesus instead of being with Him, etc. Talk to your group about it and allow them to encourage you and pray for you!