

Face To Face With Jesus: Week 4

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Small Group Discussion Questions

Getting Started

Take some time to catch up and connect as a group. Pray before discussion. Expect God to move through your time together!

Pacing Your Group

Move quickly through "observation" leaving enough time for "reflection", "discussion", and "surrender."

Scripture Reading

Re-read the scripture passages as needed when you discuss the questions.

Observation: What does this scripture passage say?

Luke 7:36-50

- 1. Describe the needs of each person: Pharisee, woman of the city, Simon.
- 2. How does Jesus challenge Simon's perspective(s)?

Reflection: What are some first thoughts flowing from the scriptures?

- 3. How does living in this place, in this day and age, magnify our neediness for God? How does it complicate our need for God?
- 4. Although it is God's grace through faith that saves us, and not acts of love or generosity, this woman's act demonstrated her true faith, and Jesus honored her faith. What are some practical ways that God's love and forgiveness can overflow in our lives?

Discussion: Talking together about how the scriptures connect to everyday life.

The Love of Jesus...

- Sees you as you are, not as you have been.
- Acknowledges honesty, not pretense.
- Relishes passion, not restraint.
- Offers grace, forgiveness and restoration, not judgement.
- Longs for adoration, not service.
- Invites you to a life-long journey of rehearsing your need.
- Commands us to love others as we have been loved.
- 5. What aspect of Jesus' love are you most enjoying today? What aspect do you desire to know more?

Surrender: Responding to God's voice.

6. Ask someone, this week, "To the extent that you know me, and with as much honesty and courage as possible, please tell me... Where am I blind to my need?"