

SITTING AT THE
FEET
OF
JESUS

LUKE 10:38-42

ARE YOU SITTING AT HIS FEET?



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- ❖ We celebrate busy people and workers.
 - ❖ Even in church, active people often receive the most praise.
 - ❖ But Jesus honored Mary for sitting at His feet.
 - ❖ There is a difference between what you think working for Jesus looks like versus being at his feet.
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SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 10:38–42 KJV

³⁸ Now it came to pass, as they went, that he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house. ³⁹ And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word. ⁴⁰ But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me. ⁴¹ And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things: ⁴² But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.

Acts 17:22-25 KJV

Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious.²³ For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye **IGNORANTLY WORSHIP**, him declare I unto you.²⁴ God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;²⁵ Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

1 Cor 3:16

you yourselves are
God's temple

Ephesians 5:19- Speak to one
another in psalms and hymns
and spiritual songs,

1 Cor 14:7-8 No life in
instruments

Point 1 — Jesus Celebrates Worshippers

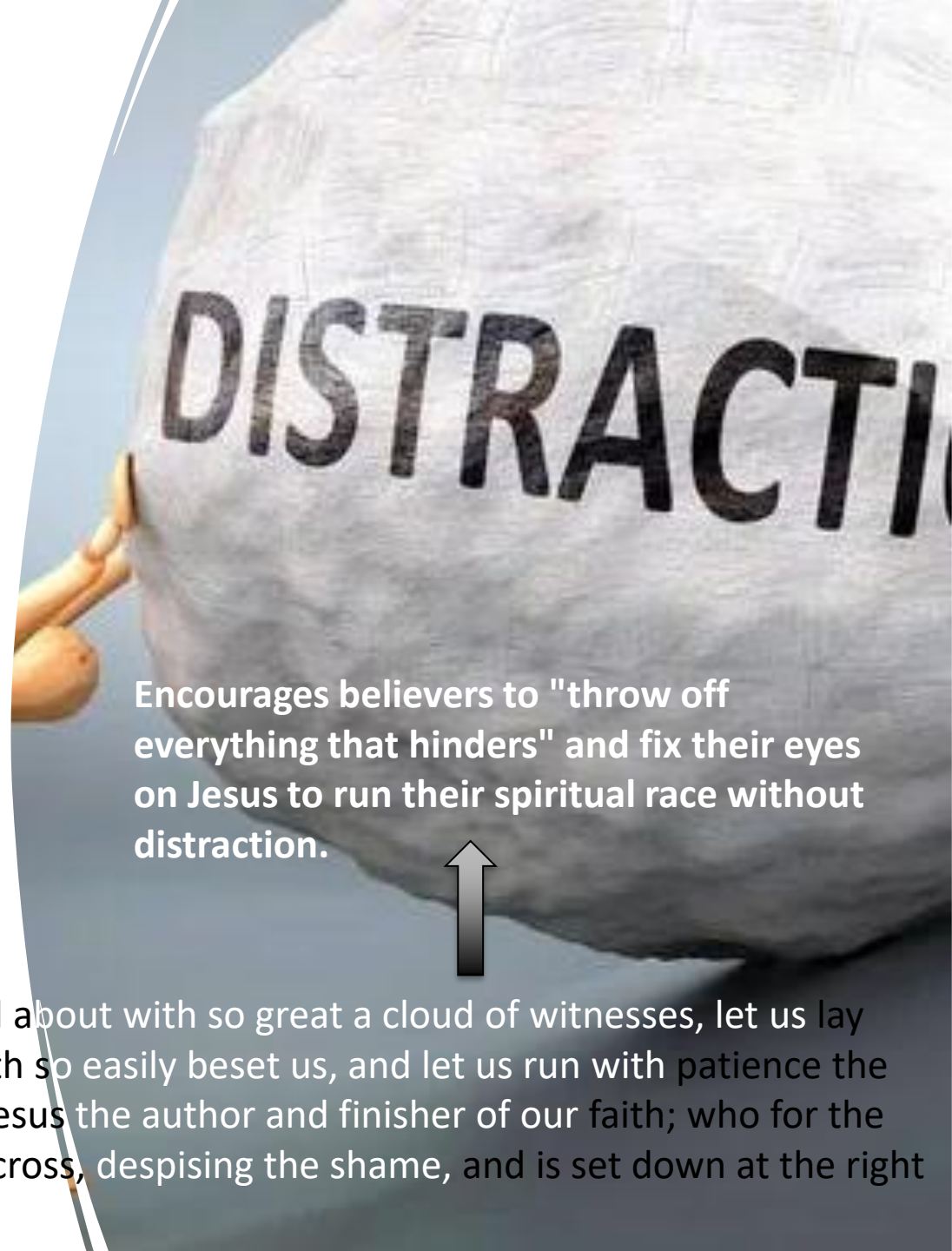
- ❖ Martha was working hard.
- ❖ Mary sat at Jesus' feet and listened.
- ❖ Activity does not always equal intimacy.
- ❖ You can work around Jesus and still not know Him deeply.

John 4:22-24 KJV

²² Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews.²³ But the hour cometh, and now is, when the **TRUE WORSHIPPERS** shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.²⁴ God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

Point 2 — Distracted By Good Things

- ❖ Martha was not rebuked for serving.
- ❖ She was rebuked for distraction.
- ❖ Good responsibilities can still pull us away from God.
- ❖ We can become busy publicly while starving privately.



Encourages believers to "throw off everything that hinders" and fix their eyes on Jesus to run their spiritual race without distraction.



Heb 12:1-2 KJV

Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,² Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Revelation 5:11-13: Gives a vivid picture of heavenly worship, where countless angels and living creatures direct their praise singularly to the Lamb (Jesus), saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever



Point 3 — Sitting Is Not Laziness

- ❖ Mary looked unproductive to Martha.
- ❖ Sitting at His feet represented discipleship.
- ❖ Before we work for Him, we must hear from Him.
- ❖ We cannot pour into others while spiritually empty.

The Call to Abide (Psalm 46:10)

Before giving us assignments or expecting ministry, God desires intimacy. He tells us to *"Be still, and know that I am God,"* reminding us to pause our work and center our hearts in His presence



Point 4 — Presence Over Performance

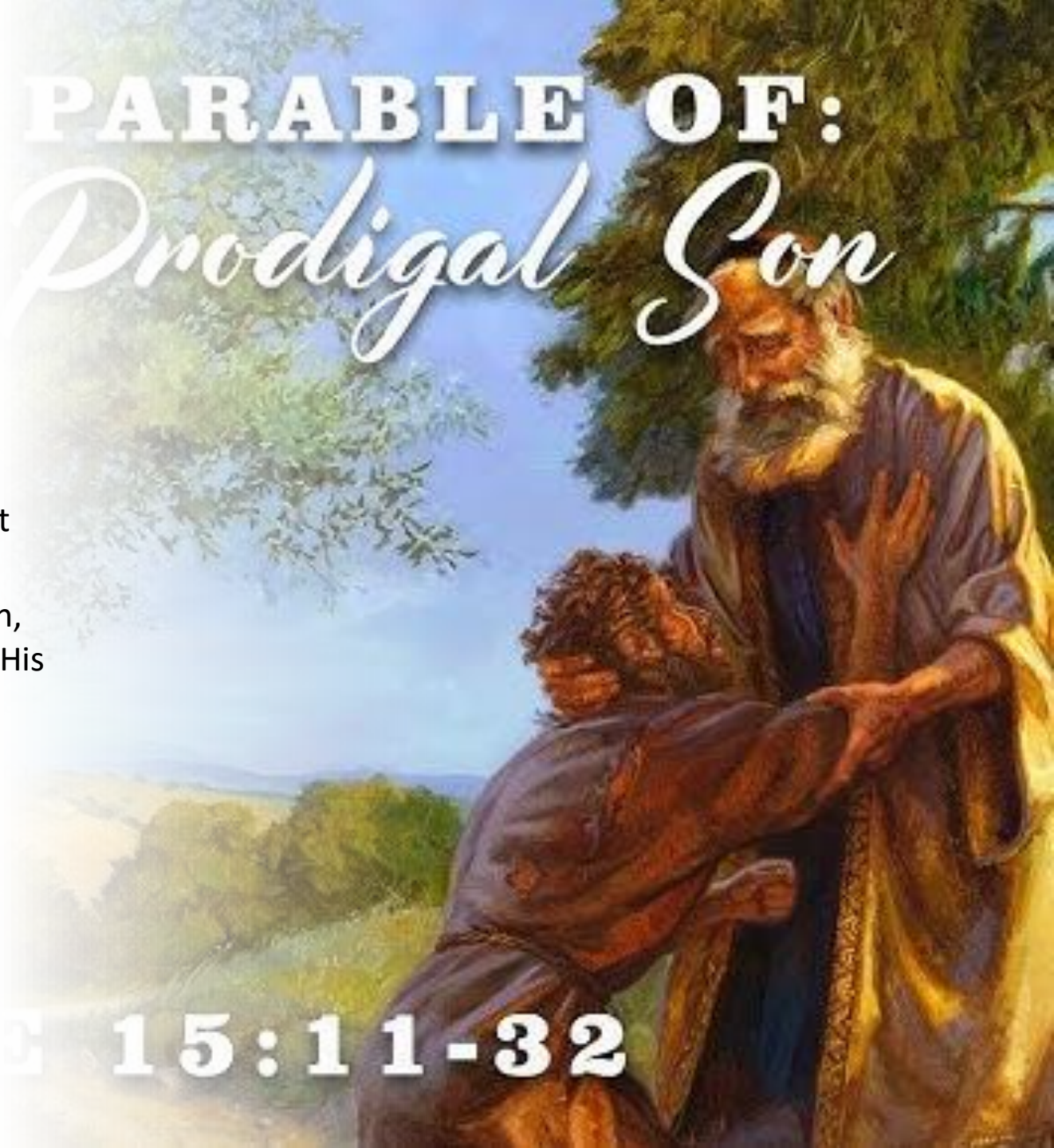
- ❖ Mary chose presence over performance.
- ❖ Worship is more important than applause.
- ❖ Intimacy with Christ matters more than recognition.
- ❖ Everybody had access to Jesus, but Mary positioned herself closest.

Point 5 — What You Receive Stays

- ❖ Earthly work eventually fades.
- ❖ What Jesus gives cannot be taken away.
- ❖ Peace, wisdom, strength, and revelation come at His feet.
- ❖ Time spent with Jesus transforms us.

PARABLE OF: *Prodigal Son*

15:11-32





THE POWER OF WORSHIP AND INTIMACY WITH GOD

How does it look
today

- ❖ God desires both service and intimacy (John 15:15-16:)
- ❖ Don't become so busy serving Jesus that you stop spending time with Him (John 15:4)
- ❖ The greatest place in the Kingdom is still at His feet. ((Job 42:5)

John 14: 1-7 KJV

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.² In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.⁴ And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.⁵ Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?⁶ *Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.*⁷ If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.

John 8:31-32 KJV

³¹ Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, IF YE CONTINUE IN MY WORD, then are ye my disciples indeed;³² And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

John 17:17 KJV

Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

- ❖ Hear: Romans 10:17
- ❖ Believe: Hebrew 11:6
- ❖ Repent: Luke 13:3
- ❖ Confess: Matthew 10:32
- ❖ Baptism: Mark 16:15-16

The Beautiful Feet of Jesus

Mark 16:15-16 KJV

¹⁵ And he said unto them,
Go ye into all the world, and
preach the gospel to every
creature.¹⁶ He that believeth
and is baptized shall be
saved; but he that believeth
not shall be damned.