# KING FOR ALL #15 Luke's Gospel

Forgiveness - Luke 7:36-50



## **A. SERMON POINTS**

- 1. The characters
- 2. The controversy
- 3. The creditor
- 4. The cause

# **B. DISCUSSION STARTER**

Who are the worst sinners in the world today?

# C. FROM THE BIBLE

- 1. How did the Pharisee compare to the "sinful" woman in the social hierarchy of the day?
- 2. Compare the Pharisee's and the woman's attitude to Jesus. What did the parable of v41-42 imply?

3. What made the woman act as she did? Cf. v47-50

#### Note

v47. Because the woman was forgiven much she loves much. Her love is demonstrated by her actions, so that her great love demonstrates great forgiveness. The forgiveness is not a result of the acts; rather, the acts testify to the presence of gratitude for the previous granting of forgiveness. Love emerging from forgiveness changes the direction of one's life.

4. How has God shown extravagant love for great sinners?

## **D. IMPLICATIONS FOR ME**

- 1. Who is your approach to Jesus more like the Pharisee's or the woman's? Why?
- 2. Would you agree that <u>both</u> "law-keepers" (the Pharisee) and "law-breakers" (the sinful woman) are sinners before God? Why?
- 3. Are you willing to admit your sinfulness, both to yourself and to the Lord?
- 4. How do you think the woman felt when she heard Jesus' words in v48? How do you feel to hear them directed towards you?

## **E. PRAYER SUGGESTION**

Please pray for our Missions ministry and Mission partners. May the Lord use our church in His mission to save people from every nation, tribe and languages.