

Family Page



Here is a little play of this week's Gospel story. It won't take many people to act it out, and the lines are very easy to learn.

Jesus and the Woman

Setting: Sit around your dinner table or in a circle on the floor.

Cast: Jesus, Simon (the Pharisee), several guests (depending on size of your family), woman.

The scene opens with Jesus and the guests all sitting around the dinner table. The woman enters, carrying a bottle of perfumed oil. She begins to wash Jesus' feet. She is crying.

Simon: If Jesus knew how bad this woman is, he would not let her touch him!

Guests: Yes. It is shocking! How shameful.

Jesus: Simon, I have a story to tell you.

Simon: Speak, Teacher.

Jesus: Once there were two men who owed money to the bank. One owed five hundred dollars and the other owed fifty. Neither man could pay off the debt, so the man at the bank told them to forget it. Which man do you think was most grateful?

Simon: The one who owed the most, of course.

Jesus: You are right. Now see this woman? She has been very kind to me. Her sins are many, but her love is great. I choose to forgive her.

Guests: (Looking at each other in surprise.) Who is this man who can forgive sins?

Jesus: (To the woman) Your faith has saved you. Now go in peace.

The woman leaves, feeling very happy.



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explaining GOD'S WORD

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Her Sins Are Forgiven Because of Her Great Love

Using the following color key, color this picture of Jesus to hang in your room.

1 = Purple; 2 = Yellow; 3 = Pale Orange; 4 = Light Green; 5 = Flesh; 6 = Red; 7 = White; 8 = Brown; 9 = Blue

Saved By Love!

In this week's Gospel story,
Jesus is the guest of honor
at a big, fancy party.

The man who is giving the party
is a rich and important man.

Then something strange happens.
It surprises everyone there.
A woman comes into the room.
In front of all those people,
she kneels in front of Jesus,
pours perfumed oil on his feet,
and wipes them with her hair.

This woman has done
many bad things.
When she thinks about how bad
she's been, she begins to cry.
She loves Jesus very much, and
she wants him to love her too.

The others at the party
get all upset.
They tell Jesus to send
her away.

But, instead, Jesus
forgives her for all
the bad things she has
done.

Her tears show him
how sorry she is
for all those things
in her past.

Jesus says that everyone
should have as much
love as that woman.



This Gospel story reminds you
of how loving and forgiving
Jesus is.

Jesus is always ready
to forgive you
and give you another chance
to be good,
if you ever do something wrong.

In the same way, Jesus wants
you to be ready to forgive
others when they do
something wrong to you.

Love and forgiveness go
together.

Jesus loves you very much,
and he is always ready to
forgive you.

Love Wheel

If you begin at the arrow and read every other letter, you will
discover Jesus' message of love for you this week.

