

Get The One Thing Right Luke 10 38 42

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[Luk 10:38-42 NASB95] 38 Now as they were traveling along, He entered a village; and a woman named Martha welcomed Him into her home. 39 She had a sister called Mary, who was seated at the Lord's feet, listening to His word. 40 But Martha was distracted with all her preparations; and she came up [to Him] and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to do all the serving alone? Then tell her to help me." 41 But the Lord answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and bothered about so many things; 42 but [only] one thing is necessary, for Mary has chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her."

- Plate spinners. Sometimes you just got to focus on the few plates.
- We are too busy. Most of us any way.
- Summary of Luke 10:38-42
 - v. 38 – Welcomed Him – welcomed Him into her home but what about her heart? Did she know really who He was?
 - v. 39 – Listening to Him – Mary was seated (humbled) and listening (valued His Word.)
 - v. 40 – Complaining to Him – distracted with serving and a student.
 - v. 41 – Rebuked by Him – Jesus was concerned for her and corrected her.
 - v. 42 – Commended by Him – Mary prioritized Him. He protected her.
- Jesus only one thing is needed. Mary got the ONE THING right.

How can we get the ONE THING right?

Getting the ONE THING right we need to learn five things.

I. Jesus needs us to welcome Him.

- a. Know Who He is. [Mat 16:15 NASB95] 15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"
- b. Love Who He is. [Luk 10:27 NASB95] 27 And he answered, "YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND; AND YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF."

II. Jesus needs us to listen to Him.

- a. Humble. [1Pe 5:5-6 NASB95] 5 You younger men, likewise, be subject to [your] elders; and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for GOD IS OPPOSED TO THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE. 6 Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time,
- b. Attentive. [Pro 4:20-22 NASB95] 20 My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. 21 Do not let them depart from your sight; Keep them in the midst of your heart. 22 For they are life to those who find them And health to all their body.
- c. His Word is our food. [Mat 4:4 NASB95] 4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDS OUT OF THE MOUTH OF GOD.'"
- d. Note: women were not allowed to learn only serve. She overcame societal barriers.

III. Jesus wants us free from distractions.

- a. Service. [Act 6:2 NASB95] 2 So the twelve summoned the congregation of the disciples and said, "It is not desirable for us to neglect the word of God in order to serve tables.
- b. Students. [Jhn 21:22 NASB95] 22 Jesus said to him, "If I want him to remain until I come, what [is that] to you? You follow Me!"
- c. Complaining comes from servants of Him who don't sit with Him.

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- d. We must be ministered to by Him before we can minister for Him.

IV. Jesus must be allowed to correct us.

- a. He is concerned for us.
- b. He will correct us.
- c. [Heb 12:5-6 NASB95] 5 and you have forgotten the exhortation which is addressed to you as sons, "MY SON, DO NOT REGARD LIGHTLY THE DISCIPLINE OF THE LORD, NOR FAINT WHEN YOU ARE REPROVED BY HIM; 6 FOR THOSE WHOM THE LORD LOVES HE DISCIPLINES, AND HE SCOURGES EVERY SON WHOM HE RECEIVES."

V. Jesus will commend us.

- a. He prioritizes those who prioritizes Him. [1Sa 2:30 NASB95] 30 "Therefore the LORD God of Israel declares, 'I did indeed say that your house and the house of your father should walk before Me forever'; but now the LORD declares, 'Far be it from Me for those who honor Me I will honor, and those who despise Me will be lightly esteemed.
 - b. He protects those who prioritizes Him. [2Ch 16:9 NASB95] 9 "For the eyes of the LORD move to and fro throughout the earth that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His.
 - i. Your status.
 - ii. Your accusers.
 - c. The ONE THING... desire the ONE THING!
 - i. [Phl 3:13-14 NASB95] 13 Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of [it] yet; but one thing [I do:] forgetting what [lies] behind and reaching forward to what [lies] ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.
 - ii. [Psa 27:4 NASB95] 4 One thing I have asked from the LORD, that I shall seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, To behold the beauty of the LORD And to meditate in His temple.
- **Getting the ONE THING right means that we welcome Him, listen to Him, are free from distraction, open to correction, and will result in us being commended by Him.**