

**Text:** *Luke 7:36-50, NIV*

**The Characters**

- The Pharisee: Doing only what is \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Woman: Forgiven and \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Crowd: \_\_\_\_\_ onlookers.
- Jesus: The \_\_\_\_\_ of God's New Way.

**We are Equal Before God**

- The \_\_\_\_\_.
- The \_\_\_\_\_.
- The \_\_\_\_\_.

**Knowing Our Debt Determines Our Love**

- The danger of \_\_\_\_\_ you're okay.
- \_\_\_\_\_ currencies of repayment.
- Recognize that you are \_\_\_\_\_.

## **Life Enrichment**

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What about today's teaching challenged, disturbed, or encouraged you?

- Of the characters in Luke 7:36-50, which do you find it easiest to relate to – the pharisee, the woman, the crowd, or Jesus? Why?
- What lessons do you think Jesus was trying to teach the pharisee in this account?
- What are the dangers of long-term religious practice? How can we prevent becoming just another pharisee?
- How do our internal conversations about others reveal our deep need of God's forgiveness?
- Why is the amount and type of sin irrelevant? According to Luke 7:42, what is more important than the amount and type of sin?
- Why do we assume that we're okay? How does that affect our ability to forgive and to love God and others?
- Which counterfeit currency of repayment do people rely on the most? How can we learn to stop relying on these counterfeits?
- How can we know the depths of our debt in sin? How does that shape our view of God and our willingness to care for and minister to others?