

Sermon Outline July 6, 2025 Pastor Bryan Myers

Mary Magdalene Luke 8, 9, John 19, 20

Fun facts about Mary:

* She appears in all four of the New Testament gospels.

* She's mentioned by name more often than some of the 12.

* The first of Jesus' followers to know He was alive was Mary.

What do we know about Mary?

1. She was ______ by Jesus.

Luke 8:2 - ...and also some women who had been cured of evil spirits and diseases: Mary (called Magdalene) from whom seven demons had come out.

* Spiritual warfare is ______.

1 Peter 5:8 - Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

2. She became a fully ______ follower of Christ.

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Luke 8:1-3 - After this, Jesus traveled about from one town and village to another...The Twelve were with him, 2 and also some women...Mary (called Magdalene)...Joanna the wife of Chuza, the manager of Herod's household; Susanna...These women were helping to support them out of their own means.

* Mary didn't just follow Jesus emotionally, but also ______.

Luke 14:28 & 27 - Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it? ...And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

* True devotion to Christ will _____ you something.

* In what ways do you demonstrate your devotion to Jesus, as Mary did?

3. She ______ Jesus at His crucifixion.

John 19:25 – Near the cross of Jesus stood His mother, His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.

* While most fled, Mary remained, witnessing Jesus' suffering and death — a sign of extraordinary courage and loyalty.

4. She was ______ to see Jesus after the resurrection and the first to deliver the good news.

John 20:17 - Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.""

* If you know the risen Jesus, you are also called to ______ others with boldness and joy.

Lessons learned from Mary's life:

1. Your past doesn't have to determine your ______.

2 Corinthians 5:17 - Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here.

2. Jesus should be the _____ of your world.

* After Mary's first encounter with Jesus, He became the sun that her life ______around.

* Jesus doesn't expect to be just ______ of your life. His rightful place is at the center of your life.

Bottom Line:

When Jesus changes us, _____ changes.

Romans 12:1a - Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God...

* Following Jesus will reorient the _____ of your life.