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Grape Grove Church of Christ 6626 Grape Grove Road Jamestown, Ohio 45335 (937) 675-4201 Volume 66 (circulation 239) Issue 35 October 3, 2022 Seek the lost, equip the saints, send the sowers

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MONDAY MORNING MUSINGS (909) Walk-in His steps.

Looking Forward to October

This morning's Scripture meditation centered on Luke 7 and Jesus' supper with Simon the Pharisee. This passage is not to be confused with Simon the Leper of Matt 26 and Mark 14. That account is later in the last year of Jesus' Ministry and is at Bethany. This Simon is north in the Galilee territory and is in the first year of ministry.

One of the Pharisees asked him to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and reclined at table. And behold, a woman of the city, who was a sinner, when she learned that he was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of ointment, and standing behind him at his feet, weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head and kissed his feet and anointed them with the ointment. Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, for she is a sinner." Luke 7.36-39

Luke 7. 47-48 Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little." 48 And he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."

Simon thinks this woman is a sinner, and Jesus knows his thoughts, vs. 39. I thought, what's your point, Simon? We are all sinners. Her sin is not done in private; it is open for the world to see. Her clothing revealed her profession, and her unique perfume announced her presence as she entered a room. My mind says privately— Bill, most of your sin is internal and private. Thank God for Grace through faith. Simon thinks her sin is worse than his. In human eyes, it probably is, but God sees all, and the guilt of sin is a stench in his nostrils.

From Jordan's message yesterday. "Be holy because I am holy." It is impossible for the children of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Lev 11.45. No one can become holy by rule-keeping, but you can by grace.

I pondered that verse and knew it was impossible for the Children of Israel, but it is possible for the New Testament believer. A statement of impossibility transformed into a promise of love.

God looks at you and says, *Be holy because I am holy*, and it becomes a promise of hope in Christ. 14 As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, 15 but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, 16 since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." I Pet 1.14-16

Believe in Jesus as the only begotten Son of God, risen from the dead; turn your life around, confess that faith, and be born again in the waters of baptism. Then God looks at you like Jesus looked at that repentant woman and says, "arise, your sins are forgiven." How refreshing. Christian, don fall forth lie of the enemy. You are saved

Colossians 1.17

Church ServantsOctober 9, 2022Serving the Table:J KattineServing South Charleston:Communion Preparation:Worship Team:P Corbet/W LottMusicians:L Burkholder/C Graf/J Dwyer/D Hays/B Long/P Long/D Ritenour				Up & Coming Activities In Our FamilyOctober 6Zoom Bible Study, 7 pm Chapter 5,October 10Zoom Prayer Meeting, 7 pmOctober 30Harvest Fellowship, 6 pmNovember 5Men's Breakfast/Bible Study, 8 am November 12Ladies @ The Grove:@10:00 Kava Haus.
<u>Attendance</u> 10/02/22	S.S	Worship 43	Offering \$2,051.00	Zoom Prayer Meeting is held every Monday at 7 pm. If you do not have a code and wish to participate, email the church for a code/invitation.
				The latest Kairos is now available on YouTube.
				Serving the Table in October: 09 – J Corbet 16 – B Lott 23 – J Kattine 30 – J Goodbar
				On October 9, Jim Bush, former Youth Minister will be here at the Grove. He will be preaching, singing, and representing one of our Missions, Christian Church Leadership Foundation/Bob Russell Ministry. After worship, we will have a carry in dinner.
				Copies of Jack Cottrell's article, <i>What Happens to us Christians When We Die</i> , is available in the foyer.
				Ladies @ The Grove: Our next Saturday morning coffee/devotion hour will be Saturday, November 12 @10:00 Kava Haus 29 East Main Street Xenia, Ohio (there is parking in the back lot and a back entrance to this coffee shop)
				Harvest Fellowship will be upon us soon (Oct 30). We are collecting candy for the kids. If you would like to donate, please place the bags in the fellowship all on one of the serving tables. Thank you.
				Open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. John 4:35