

MARY...(CALLED MAGDALENE)

Text: Luke 8:1-3

Intro: Our Lord’s followers have always been a fickle bunch. During His earthly ministry, He was followed vast crowds, and at other times, He was followed by just a faithful few. As the course of Christ’s ministry became clear, even His own disciples were guilty of running away from Him. But our passage mentions a dedicated group of women that followed Jesus. And offered Him financial support and absolute devotion. One of these women, Mary Magdalene, seemed to have followed Him everywhere.

1. SHE WAS A DESPERATE WOMAN

A) The Horror of Her Condition - Mary was possessed by seven devils. Mary’s life would have been a living Hell!

B) The Hopelessness of Her Condition - In that sinful state, she had nothing to look forward to but a life of sin and insanity.

C) The Helplessness of Her Condition - She was powerless to change her life. She was trapped and totally helpless. (Eph. 2:1-3; 12.)

2. SHE WAS A DELIVERED WOMAN (Eph. 2:4-5)

A) She Experienced The Power of Jesus - When Jesus touched this woman she was instantly delivered and she was set free! (2 Cor.5:17); (Ro.6:6-7); (Rev.5:9 NKJV); (Gal. 4:5 NKJV); (1Pet.1:18-19 NKJV).

B) She Experienced The Lord’s Peace - Jesus took the turmoil that plagued her away forever and quieted the storm within her! (Jn.14:27)

3. SHE WAS A DEVOTED WOMAN

A) Her Devotion Is Seen In Her Finances - (Luke 8:3)

B) Her Devotion Is Seen In Her Following - She loved Him for what He had done for her!

C) Her Devotion Is Seen In Her Faithfulness - When all the others had gone away Mary Magdalene was still there!

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