

The Women of Easter – Week 2

It's ok to 'let your hair down' with Jesus.

Mary does the unthinkable. Approaching the men's table. Breaking open an expensive, rare, precious, perfume worth a year's wages. At that time approximately \$350. Our silent, listening, and devoted sister Mary...is a woman of few words and big actions. She's brave and fearless with the faith that she's placed in Jesus. Of course, she did see him resurrect her brother, Lazarus, from the dead. So, she's seen some pretty convincing evidence.

When something extraordinary happens like that today in our lives...someone is cured, a relationship is salvaged, a baby that was allegedly deformed is born completely healthy...something we know that God did, but it's too hard to conceptualize that...do we 'let our hair down' and sit at His feet, knowing it was all Him. That He pulled the book from heaven with our name on it (Psalm 136:19) and did something spectacular that was written 'on one of our days'. It's ok to 'let your hair down' with Jesus.

Mary's actions took her self-worth, self-respect and placed them at Jesus feet. With her hair she let go of self, her longing to be looked up to, or her desire to be attractive, or be liked. Her perfume wasn't the only thing she sacrificed. She laid her whole being before Him: her pride, her reputation, her social standing. Everything. ***Are we willing to sacrifice everything at the feet of our Savior? If not, what holds us back?***

It's interesting that not only did they want to kill Jesus, but Lazarus also. Because he was a walking, living testimony of what Jesus did. He resurrected him from the dead. After 4 days. ***Are we a walking, living, testimony of what Jesus did, or are our testimonies still in the tomb?***