

# God's Story Our Story

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Forgiven at  
Jesus' Feet

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**Devotion:** Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions. You can do this alone or with others, in the morning, during the day, or at night. Find a routine that works best for you.

**Pray:** Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

Merciful Lord,

Your forgiveness surpasses our wildest imaginations. Challenge us again and again to match your extravagant mercy, in the name of Christ, Amen.

**Reflect:** Reflect on the key verses from Sunday's reading.

*Then he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace." Luke 7:48-50*

**Study:** Study the reading and consider the background.

Well... this is awkward. Jesus has accepted a dinner invitation from a Pharisee named Simon, but before the meal even begins, a local woman comes to bathe the teacher's feet with oil and tears. What's a host to do? Jesus is about to tell him.

**Consider:** Consider this theme for the week's text.

A love nurtured by forgiveness can be extravagant and even a little uncomfortable.

**Read:** Read the following daily readings to deepen your understanding of Sunday's text. After the reading, ask the follow-up questions.

Sunday: *Forgiven at Jesus' Feet*, Luke 7:36-50

Monday: *Jesus Feeds the 5,000*, Luke 9:10-11

Tuesday: *Jesus Feeds the 5,000*, Luke 9:12-17

Wednesday: *Peter's Confession*, Luke 9:18-22

Thursday: *Jesus Talks of Death and Resurrection*, Luke 9:23-27

Friday: *God Provides Quail*, Exodus 16:1-13

Saturday: *God Provides Manna*, Exodus 16:14-21

**How does Jesus challenge the people around him?**

**Connect:** Connect in conversation with others in your household. Discuss the following questions, or simply check in with "Highs" and "Lows."

**What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?**

Despite the prevalence of sex in popular culture, many people still seem to be uncomfortable with expressions of sexuality and sensuality, especially in public spheres. How are sexuality and sensuality viewed in your community? How does this view shape how women and men interact with each other?

How far would you go to show repentance for a sin you committed? What might happen if you made amends for all the ways you have damaged your relationships? How might such reconciliation free you?

**Do:** By acting on what we learn we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Research what organizations in your community exist to combat human trafficking. What can you do to make a difference?

**Bless:** Close your devotion with a blessing.

God forgives you no matter what. Amen.