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## Learning To Sit at Jesus' Feet

Bible Reading: Luke 10:38-42 ; Luke 11:9-13

38 Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him as a guest. 39 She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet & listened to what he said. 40 But Martha was distracted with much serving, so she came up to him & said, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her to help me." 41 But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried & upset about many things, 42 but one thing is needed. Mary has chosen the best part; it will not be taken away from her." (Luke 10:38-42 NET)

1 He was praying in a certain place, & when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John also taught his disciples." 2 He said to them, "Whenever you pray, say, Father, your name be honored as holy. Your kingdom come. 3 Give us each day our daily bread. 4 And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves also forgive everyone in debt to us. And do not bring us into temptation." (Luke 11:1-4 CSB)

5 He also said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend & goes to him at midnight & says to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, 6 because a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, & I don't have anything to offer him.' 7 Then he will answer from the inside & say, 'Don't bother me! The door is already locked, & my children & I have gone to bed. I can't get up to give you anything.' 8 I tell you, even though he won't get up & give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his friend's shameless boldness, he will get up & give him as much as he needs." (Luke 11:5-8 CSB)

9 "So I say to you, ask, & it will be given to you. Seek, & you will find. Knock, & the door will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who asks receives, & the one who seeks finds, & to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. 11 What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead of a fish? 12 Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? 13 If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?" (Luke 11:9-13 CSB)

### Sermon Summary:

Our lives are often shaped by the pace of our society, & the society you & I are in is fast-paced from our waking to our lying down again. So when we hear that we should 'sit' at Jesus' feet, we may brush it aside as a first

century thing, after all, we might think, who has time for that!?! But in God's Word we are told that 'sitting' at Jesus' feet is a practical way for us to love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, strength & mind. Hearing God's word preached. Reading God's Word by ourselves. These can help us to love God more. But loving God doesn't stop there in Luke 11. He goes further to show that this sitting at Jesus' feet also occurs today as we pray to our Father, the one who we are in relationship with; the one who is good, generous, & always ready to answer us. The challenge is very real to 21st century followers of Jesus. How do we stop to hear; stop to read; stop to pray? We need genuine intentionality to do this. So let's do it!