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This passage exemplifies how wisdom is proven correct by her children (Luke 7:35). It also answers, “Who is Jesus?” Jesus of Nazareth, prophet-Coming One-Christ-Lord, is God who has the authority to forgive sins. It is, therefore, a Christ-focused conclusion to the whole chapter.

(vv. 36–38) THE WOMAN WHO LOVED MUCH.

- The woman was a “sinner” – most likely a prostitute, one of the “poor” to whom the Gospel was meant to be preached (Luke 7:22). She is definitely one of the sinners that Jesus was a friend of (Luke 7:34).
- With hard-earned money from her “profession,” she gave what cost her everything to One, who, for her, meant everything.

(vv. 39–47) THE PHARISEE WHO LOVED LITTLE.

- Simon judged the inadequacy of Jesus based on His willingness to welcome sinners.
- The Pharisee did not fail in the basic courtesies – but gave the barest minimum to comply. In contrast, the woman labeled “sinner” gave above and beyond what was expected.
- The point of Christ’s Parable: “She loved much, because her sins, which are many, are forgiven. But he who is forgiven little loves little.” The woman had been forgiven. Simon wasn’t.

(vv. 48–50) THE SAVIOR WHO LOVED MOST.

- He forgives sins. He saves sinners. He blesses the forgiven with peace. How can Jesus do all this? Because He is God.
- “Go into peace” means restoration to wholeness, including (and not limited to) restoration to the social acceptance from which this woman had been excluded. Jesus’ concern is her restoration to the community of God’s people. Will God’s people respond? How do we accept great sinners who repent among us?

FINAL THOUGHTS

Why does Jesus welcome sinners? Because in forgiving great sinners, He can change them into people who display great love. He who is forgiven much loves much.

Do we love Christ like her? Or do we give the barest minimum to comply? May the elements of Communion remind us again of why we are to love Jesus as this woman did. ■

Ang Ating Mapagpatawad na Tagapagligtas

Luke 7:36–50

Ang salaysay na pag-aaralan natin ay isang ilustrasyon ng katotohanan na binigkas ni Hesus sa v. 35 – “Yet wisdom is justified by all her children.” Makikita natin ang mayaman na pagpapatawad ng ating Panginoon sa mga tunay na nagsisisi sa kanilang kasalanan, at ang Kanyang pangaral laban sa mga matuwid sa sarili nilang paningin.

ANG PAGSISISI NG ISANG MAKASALANAN (Luke 7:36–38)

- Malugod na tinatanggap ni Hesus ang bawat pagkakataon na makisalamuha sa mga makasalanan (Luke 7:36; 11:37; 14:1).
- Mayaman ang pagsamba at pagpapakita ng pagmamahal ng isang babaeng nagsisisi sa kanyang kasalanan (Luke 7:38; John 12:3).

ANG PAGMAMATAAS NG ISANG PARISEO (Luke 7:39–40)

- Mali ang pagkakilala ni Simon sa ating Panginoon, dahil sa maling kaisipan tungkol sa Batas, at sa kawalan ng malasakit sa makasalanan (Luke 7:39, 16; John 4:19).
- Malasakit pa rin ang ipinakita ni Hesus kay Simon sa Kanyang tanka na ituwid ang kanyang paniniwala (Luke 7:40).

ANG PANGARAL NG ATING PANGINOON (Luke 7:41–47)

- Malinaw ang katotohanan na ibinigay ni Hesus sa parable na ibinahagi Niya – mas malaki ang utang na loob ng isang pinagbigyan ng mas malaking pagkakautang (Luke 7:41-43).
- Malinaw din na bagaman naintindihan ito ng Pariseo sa kanyang pag-iisip, wala ito sa kanyang puso na puno ng pagmamataas sa sariling katuwiran (Luke 7:44-47).

ANG PAGPAPATAWAD NG ATING TAGAPAGLIGTAS (Luke 7:48–50)

- Malawak ang kahabagan ng ating Panginoon sa mga makasalanan na lumalapit sa Kanya upang humingi ng kapatawaran at kaligtasan (Luke 7:48; 5:20).
- Maaari Siyang magpatawad ng kasalanan sapagkat Siya ang tunay na Diyos na buhay (Luke 7:49; 5:21; Isaiah 43:25).
- Makakahanap ang kahit na sinong makasalanan ng wagas na kapatawaran mula kay Kristo Hesus sa pamamagitan ng pananampalataya na sa Kanya rin nagmumula (Luke 7:47, 50; Ephesians 2:8-9; 1 Timothy 1:12-15).

Si Hesus ay kaibigan ng mga makasalanan (Matthew 27:54; Acts 2:41; 6:7). Siya ay pumasok sa ating daigdig upang hanapin at iligtas ang lahat ng nawawala (Luke 19:10) at ibigay ang Kanyang buhay bilang pambayad-sala sa ating mga kasalanan (Mark 10:45; 1 Timothy 2:6). Katulad ba natin ang Pariseo na si Simon na umaasa sa ating sariling mabubuting gawa? O katulad ba natin ang babaeng makasalanan na lubos ang pagmamahal sa ating Panginoon dahil sa pagpapatawad? ■

FILIPINO WORSHIP SERVICE



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- Tawag sa Pagsamba
- Pagsamba sa Pag-awit
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- Pakikipag-ugnayan
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WORSHIP WITH US AT GCF ORTIGAS

SUNDAYS

8:00 AM English
10:30 AM English
Auditorium B

3:00 PM Filipino
5:30 PM English
Auditorium A

SATURDAYS

5:30 PM Traditional
Auditorium B

■ Livestream is available during the 10:30 AM and 3:00 PM Sunday Services. The recording of the Traditional Service will be streamed on Sundays at 5:30 PM.

KIDS on SUNDAYS

8:00 AM Kids L.I.F.E. Sunday School
Ages 2 to 6 • 4F | Ages 7 to 13 • 4F
10:30 AM Kids L.I.F.E. Sunday School
Ages 1.5 to 3 • Toddlers' Center, Ground Floor
Ages 4 to 13 • 4F Assembly Area

YOUTH on SATURDAYS

4:00 PM Youth L.I.V.E. Discipleship Gathering
For ages 13 to 20 • Fellowship Hall

YOUNG ADULTS on FRIDAYS

7:00 PM YA Fridays
For ages 20s to 40s • Fellowship Hall

BIBLE STUDY on SUNDAYS

9:30 AM Sunday Bible School (SBS)
Open to all • GCF Chapel
9:30 AM "Like Jesus" Youth Bible Study
For all high school students • Room B124
9:30 AM Men's Growth Group Express
Open to all men • Room A107a

PRAYER HOUR on THURSDAYS

8:00 PM GCF Family's Hour of Prayer
Open to all • GCF Chapel and Zoom

OUTREACH on WEDNESDAYS

5:30 PM Ortigas Community Outreach
Open to all • Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Ortigas Community Worship
Open to all • GCF Chapel

TRUTHS ABOUT LIFE & DEATH

Share this with your friends and family who need to know Christ!

THE CHARACTER OF GOD

God is holy, pure, and just. He rightfully and righteously judges and punishes all sin.

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" (Isaiah 6:3)

"Who will not fear you, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy." (Revelation 15:4)

THE CRISIS WE FACE

We all have failed God's standard and face God's righteous judgment.

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God..." (Romans 3:23)

"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth." (Romans 1:18)

THE CALL OF JESUS

The Lord Jesus is God's only way for us to be forgiven and reconciled to God. He took the judgment for our sins on the Cross, and whoever comes to Christ for forgiveness, He gives new life and an eternal relationship with God.

"Jesus said 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'" (John 14:6)

"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23)

"The Lord Jesus is calling out to us: "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." (Matthew 11:28-30)

WHAT MUST WE DO?

Come to the Lord Jesus for forgiveness and salvation:

"Lord Jesus, be merciful to me—a sinner. I believe that You are the Son of God who took the penalty for my sins on the Cross. I humbly ask You to be my Savior and submit to you as my LORD forever. Amen."

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT GCF ORTIGAS

QUESTIONS ABOUT GCF ORTIGAS?

Want to join a Growth Group? Looking to apply for church membership? Curious about the various ministries? Visit the new INFO HUB at the Lobby.

ARE YOU HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME?

We would love to connect with you after every Worship Service. Our pastors and team are excited to meet you! Drop by Room BM07 at the Mezzanine Floor or reach out to us at gcf.link/GCFWelcome

DO YOU NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO?

If you need support or clarification on some issues, we are here to help. Call the GCF ERCC Hotline at 0917 532 7794

Spiritual Gifts Class

May 4 12:00 – 3:00 PM
Sunday Room B302
Register at gcf.link/SpiritualGifts

Apologetics Series at Sunday Bible School

Starts (8 sessions)
May 11 9:30 AM
Sundays GCF Chapel

How to Grow Class

Starts (7 sessions)
May 18 12:00 – 3:00 PM
Sundays Room B302
Register at gcf.link/HowToGrow

Shaking Hands with Gender Identity and Development

June 7 9:00 AM – 12:00 NN
Saturday Fellowship Hall
Register via gcf.link/ShakingHands

Youth Retreat 2025

June 9–11 Rizal Re-Creation Center, Laguna
Monday to For high school students
Wednesday Registration Fee: Php 2,500
Register via gcf.link/YouthRetreat

Men's Retreat 2025

June 12–14 **Theme: Men After God's Own Heart**
Thursday Hotel Seoul, Clark, Pampanga
to Saturday For all men (18 years old and above)
Registration Fee: Php 3,000
Register via gcf.link/MensRetreat

International Widows Day Celebration with Naomi Women Ministry

June 14 9:00 AM – 12:00 NN
Saturday Fellowship Hall
Speaker: Atty. Chato Olivas Gallo

SHE Quarterly Fellowship

June 14 2:00 – 4:00 PM
Saturday Youth Center, 6th Floor
Register via gcf.link/SHEFellowship

Daily Vacation Bible School (DVBS) TRUE NORTH: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World

June 23–28 GCF Ortigas
Monday For kids ages 4–12
to Saturday Registration Fee: Php 1,000
Register at the Main Lobby

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Senior Pastor

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WHY IT MATTERS TO BE A MEMBER

"Why should I formalize being a member? Isn't it enough that I show up at Worship Services regularly?" I agree that being at weekly Worship is very important. But top of mind, here are four reasons why it is best to formalize your membership and not just be a passive attendee:

Biblical Accountability and Discipleship: The Bible teaches the importance of mutual accountability in church (Hebrews 13:17, Matthew 18:15–17, Galatians 6:1–2). Church leaders can only shepherd those who have submitted to their leadership. Membership clarifies who is part of the flock, helping leaders pray for, teach, visit, and disciple members intentionally.

Commitment to the local Body of Christ: Church membership reflects a serious, covenantal commitment to the Body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12–27). It shows the importance of contributing – not just “consuming” but actively participating in the church’s life. In an age of church hopping, formal membership says, “I am here, committed, and accountable.”

Mutual Edification and Collaborative Ministry: Membership encourages individuals to contribute their spiritual gifts to build up others (Ephesians 4:11–16). This helps fulfill the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18–20) through shared service, mission, and support.

Guarding the holiness and doctrines of the church: Formal membership gives a Biblical framework to affirm our beliefs and to deal with unrepentant sin or heresy (Matthew 18:15–17, 1 Corinthians 5). The willingness to uphold the holiness and doctrines of the church requires accountability, that will gladly submit to restorative discipline if necessary.

REMINDER: IT'S MOTHER'S DAY NEXT SUNDAY – BRING YOUR MOM!

In our GCF setting, remember that we honor not just biological and adoptive moms but especially spiritual mothers! Don't be bashful when we ask you to stand and be honored on this special day. ■

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