

THE ONE THING *Worship Focuses*

Luke 10:38-42 | April 11, 21 | Pastor Michael Foster

- Jesus welcomes all to learn from Him, and women are notably secure in His presence
- Christianity is a “living room faith” – it’s all about relationship
 - Beware of the hazards in the “kitchen”
 - Work without worship
 - Disdain toward others
 - Frustration with God
- Relationship is fueled by revelation – worshippers abide in the Word
 - What do your actions and attitudes indicate about the input your heart is receiving?
- Don’t just declutter. Recenter!

“CLUTTERED LIVING”	“CENTERED LIVING”
Distracted from the main thing	Devoted to the main thing
Responds to urgent needs	Responds to important needs
Never stops to refuel	Constantly refuels
Aspects of life are disconnected and devoid of greater meaning	Aspects of life are connected to singular purpose and take on greater meaning
Often wins the sprint	Always wins the marathon
Adds Christ	Abides in Christ
Overwhelming. Exhausting.	Joyful. Fulfilling.

FOR FURTHER REFLECTION

- Meditate on Luke 10:38-42, John 15:1-17, Psalm 103, Philippians 3:7-14
- Read *Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World* by Joanna Weaver
- Read *Your Glory* by Phil Powers
- Read “How to Have Quiet Time” - www.cru.org/us/en/train-and-grow/spiritual-growth/devotionals/how-to-have-a-quiet-time.html
- Read “Asking the Wrong Questions” - www.dayandnight.org/asking_the_wrong_questions_about_ravi_zacharias_and_the_most_important_of_all
- Listen to “One Pure and Holy Passion” - www.youtube.com/watch?v=UbmQnzUEyEg
- Listen to “Knowing You, Jesus” - www.youtube.com/watch?v=pTTISx6zXio

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

1. What stood out to you most from the message?
2. Are you inclined to be more of a “Mary” or a “Martha”? Why?
3. Describe a time when you “sat at the Lord’s feet listening to what He said.” What does it look like for you to do this?
4. What are some of the things that “worry and upset” you today? What are you particularly burdened for in ways that can distract you from Jesus rather than drive you to Jesus?
5. Read Luke 12:22-34. What stands out to you about Jesus’ teaching on worry in this passage? What might it have looked like for Martha to apply this to her heart?
6. We identified several “hazards” of the “kitchen.” Which of these have you found to be most hazardous?
7. Read John 15:1-4. What does it look like for you to abide in Jesus?
8. Share with one another specifically how you spend time with Jesus. What do your “quiet times” with Him look like? How can we encourage one another about prioritizing daily time with Jesus?
9. In your own words, explain the difference between “cluttered living” and “centered living.” Is there anything you can do specifically this week to become more “centered”?
10. What would you say to someone who feels like they never spend enough time with Jesus, or who feels like they are constantly disappointing Him?
11. Spend some time praying for one another to cultivate “Mary” hearts in this “Martha” world!