

AT THE FEET OF JESUS

(Part 1)

Introduction

- 1) The Bible speaks of those who were “at the feet of Jesus”
- 2) All things are “under” His feet (Eph. 1:22) – we are subject to His authority (Matt. 28:18)
- 3) To be “at the feet of Jesus,” we must humble ourselves to have a submissive state of mind
 - a) The humble are very pleasing to God (Matt. 5:3; 23:12; Jas. 4:6-7a, 10)
- 4) Being “at the feet of Jesus” is a humble, yet wonderful place to be, but only a few seek to *abide* in this blessed place – very unfortunate!
 - a) Many are too busy with earthly things to put spiritual things first (Lk. 12:15)
 - b) Many come to listen, but leave when they find it is not what they want to hear (Jn. 6:66)
- 5) Those who abide at the feet of Jesus desire His fellowship, and there we find those who sorrow for sin, who are filled with thankfulness, and who have a desire to learn the truth

I) **SORROW FOR SIN**

- A) A woman weeps at the feet of Jesus *to sorrow for her sins* (Lk. 7:36-50)
 - 1) The feet of Jesus is where the sorrow for sin should be brought
 - 2) This is the only place true comfort for the soul is found
- B) We must mourn over our sins (Matt. 5:4; Jas. 4:8-9)
 - 1) Too many are laughing and rejoicing in their sins; unconcerned about God
 - 2) Prideful excuses are given; filled with self-righteousness like Simon, the Pharisee
- C) Are you ashamed of your sins? Are you moved by godly sorrow (2 Cor. 7:9-10)?
 - 1) We need a tender heart/conscience like this woman
 - 2) We need to remember that Jesus died as a sacrifice for our sins (Rom. 5:8)
- D) Can you be found weeping for your sins at the feet of Jesus?

II) **THANKFULNESS**

- A) A healed leper falls down at the feet of Jesus *to thank Him* (Lk. 17:11-19)
 - 1) The other nine lepers healed failed to give thanks
- B) Majority of people fail to give God the thanks He so rightfully deserves
 - 1) Do we say “He knows I’m thankful” or “I meant to, but got too busy”?
- C) Prayer is to include thanksgiving (1 Thess. 5:17-18)
 - 1) Our requests should be combined with thanksgiving (Phil. 4:6)
- D) Are you at the feet of Jesus to thank Him for His countless blessings?

III) **DESIRE TO LEARN**

- A) Mary sat at the feet of Jesus *to hear His word* (Lk. 10:38-42)
 - 1) The words of Jesus are words of truth and eternal life (Jn. 8:31-32; 6:68)
- B) Too many fail to take this great opportunity to learn (Jesus still teaches through His word)
 - 1) Instead they are sitting at the feet of ignorant and evil men (Col. 2:8; 1 Tim. 6:20-21)
 - 2) They are too distracted by the affairs of life (like Mary’s sister, Martha)
- C) Do we live with open Bibles seeking opportunities to learn?
 - 1) Personal study, Bible classes, sermons, teaching literature, online resources, etc.
- D) Are you willing to lay all other things aside anytime to sit and learn at the feet of Jesus?

Conclusion

If you seek to sit at the feet of Jesus today, you must become a member of His body, the church. The Lord calls spiritual Zion “the place of My feet” (Isa. 60:13). Will you obey Jesus today?