



I. REVIEW/INTRO

This story puts two kinds of “sinners” at the table:

- **One who knows it and is desperate**
- **One who hides it and is prideful**

A. Sermon Series – Lunch with Jesus

- The mission

Luke 19:10 (NLT) For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost.

B. Jesus used meals to reveal the mission

Luke 7:34 (NLT) The Son of Man, on the other hand, feasts and drinks, and you say, ‘He’s a glutton and a drunkard, and a friend of tax collectors and other sinners!’

- Jesus didn’t just preach sermons. He shared meals — and at those tables, people discovered who God really is.

II. THE STORY

A. This meal centers around 3 people, Jesus, Simeon and an uninvited guest

- As a Pharisee, Simon represented moral authority and ritual purity.

B. The scandal (and every good story needs something like this)

- No name, just a reputation.
- Simon is shocked Jesus is letting this sinful woman touch Him.

C. The judgement

- Jesus must not be who He says He is, or He’d never let her near Him.

D. The parable

- Two debtors are forgiven of a debt, who will love more?
- It’s not about the amount owed, but the awareness of the debt.
- He lists what Simon didn’t do, and what she did.
- “Your sins are forgiven... Your faith has saved you. Go in peace.”

III. THE LESSON

A. Where do you find yourself in this story?

- Simeon?
- The woman?
- It’s not about the size of the debt—it’s about the awareness of it.



B. The alabaster jar Extremely valuable

- Personal because it represented her trade.
- Breaking it open meant there was no going back.
- It became a vessel of worship.

C. We all carry an alabaster jar

- We all carry an alabaster jar — filled with things we treasure, protect, and hide.

D. What's in your jar?

Whether your debt is ten thousand or ten million, it was all paid in full at the cross. Jesus doesn't just cancel sin—He restores sinners. That's the good news.