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Bible Studies for Seniors

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STUDY 1: Parables - The Two Debtors.



Suggested Further Reading: • Psalm 86: 1-7 • Acts 13: 38 & 39
• Ephesians 4: 25-32

READ:
Luke 7: 36-50

KEY VERSE:
Romans 5: 1

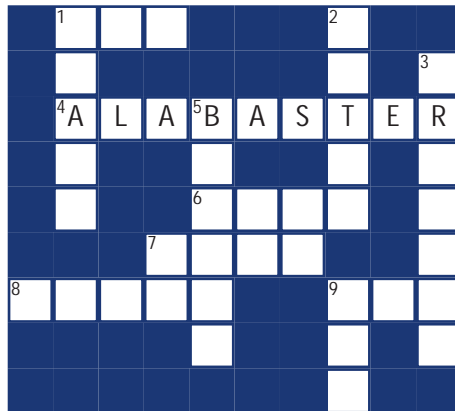
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The Lord Jesus had been invited to a meal, along with others, in the house of a Pharisee. Pharisees were very religious Jews, and were looked up to as leaders by the rest of the people.

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Clues Across

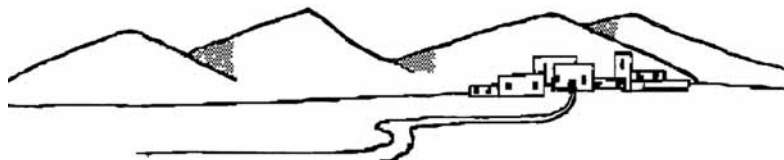
- How many people owed money (debtors)? (Verse 41)
- The box (jar, flask) of ointment (perfume) was made of this.
- The woman used this to wipe Jesus' feet.
- The Pharisee didn't greet Jesus with this as He came into his house.
- The name of the Pharisee.
- The number of creditors (money lenders), in the parable.



Clues Down

- The woman washed Jesus' feet with these.
- The Pharisee did not provide this to wash Jesus' feet.
- The Pharisee said to himself that if Jesus were one of these, He would have known what a sinner the woman was.
- Where the woman stood in relation to Jesus.
- The Pharisee did not provide Jesus with this to anoint His head.

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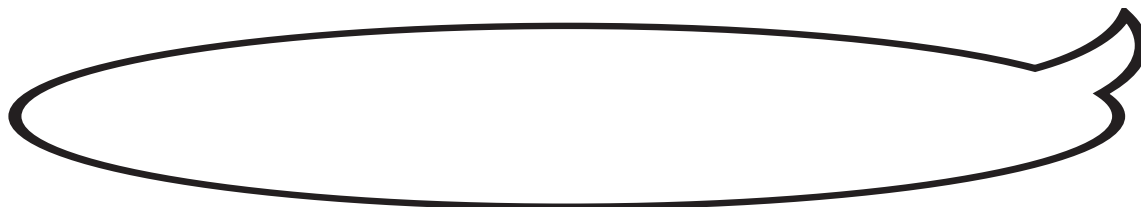
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Simon, the Pharisee, had made up his mind that Jesus was not a prophet. It must have come as a great surprise to him when he discovered that the Lord Jesus knew exactly what he was thinking. The Lord Jesus knew his thoughts because, **The Lord Jesus knows our thoughts too!** The parable Jesus then told Simon is only a small part of our Bible Reading. (verses 41 to 43)

A parable is a story about ordinary, everyday things but with a deeper meaning about God and His ways.

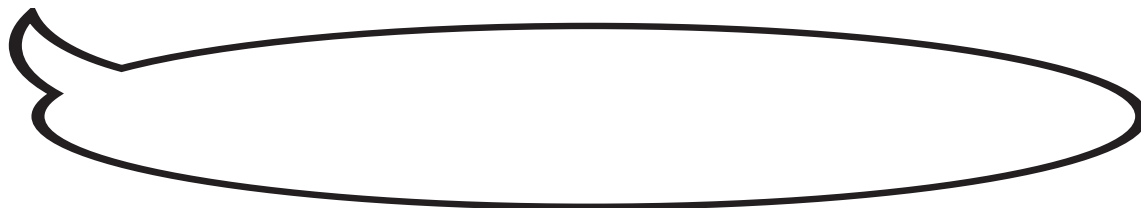
Let's think about the deeper meaning of the parable. The money lender (creditor) represents God. The two men could be any two people. However, one has lived a far more sinful life than the other and so 'owes' God more. But neither is able to pay his debt to God. God forgives them both completely, but the one who has had the greater forgiveness by God feels more gratitude and love towards God.

Q: What was the first thing Jesus said to the woman in this passage?



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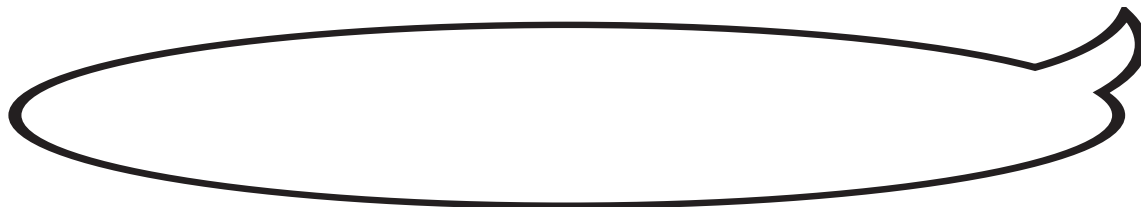
Q: What did the other guests at the table say among themselves?



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They knew that only God is able to forgive a person's sins, but they failed to understand that the Lord Jesus is God.

Q: What did Jesus say to the woman at the end of the Bible Reading?



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Q: Write out the Key Verse.

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Q: What are the two words that appear in BOTH of the last answers?

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Are your sins forgiven? Do you love the Lord Jesus because of what He has done for you?

TOTAL:

STUDY 2: Parables - Who is my neighbour?



READ:
Luke 10: 25-37



KEY VERSE:
Luke 10: 27



Suggested Further Reading: • Philippians 2: 1-11 • Matthew 5: 43-48 • Luke 6: 31-38

This is a very well known parable, usually called 'The Parable of the Good Samaritan'. The Lord Jesus told the parable in answer to a question posed by an expert in the laws which God gave to Moses. This lawyer thought he knew it all and hoped he would be able to catch the Lord Jesus out. He couldn't! Sometimes we think we know it all, too . . . but we don't either!

Q: However, we hope you'll know the answers to all the missing words in the sentences below. Circle them in the Word Search and also complete the sentences.

In verse 27, we are to love the Lord our God with all our _____ and _____.

We are to love our _____ as ourselves.

In the parable, a man was going down from _____ to _____.

Thieves (robbers) set on him and left him _____.

The _____ and the _____ passed by this man before the Samaritan came along.

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Both the priest and the Levite were workers in the Jews' Temple at Jerusalem. Yet they did nothing to help the wounded man.

Q: Suggest a good reason why they did nothing to help him.

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Q: How did the Samaritan feel when he saw the wounded man?

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There are many people around us who are ill or hungry or sad. Do we ever feel sorry for them? Do we ever do anything to help them? The 'Good Samaritan' did, even though the man by the roadside was a stranger and a foreigner to him.

The 'Good Samaritan' helped the man by first going over to him. Next he poured two things on his wounds.

Q: What were they?

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He then put the man on his own donkey and took him to a place where he would be cared for.

Q: Where did the Samaritan take him?



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Q: He also paid for him to stay there. How much did he pay?



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Not only that, but he promised to pay any more that was needed when he returned that way.

Q: After telling this story what did Jesus tell the lawyer he should do?

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Our neighbour is not just the person living next door to us but everyone whom we meet, in school, in the street, on the bus etc. We should be ready to help anyone who needs help anytime, anywhere. But there is a deeper meaning to the parable, too. The wounded man lying on the roadside is a 'picture' of each of us. He needed someone to rescue him; so, too, we need to be rescued and saved from our sins. The good news is that the Lord Jesus has come from Heaven to deliver us. He has paid the price necessary to do this, by dying for us at Calvary.



Q: Write out the Key Verse.

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TOTAL:

STUDY 3: Parables - A Foolish Man.



READ:
Luke 12: 13-21



KEY VERSE:
Luke 12: 15



Suggested Further Reading: • Proverbs 11: 4 & 28 • Amos 4 : 12 & 13
• Matthew 6: 19-21

Once again the Lord Jesus told a parable in response to a comment made to Him. In this case, the father of the man who spoke to Jesus had recently died. The man hadn't had the share of the inheritance he felt was due to him.

Q: What did the man want Jesus to do?

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Q: Put the main stages of the parable, as written below, in the correct order by numbering the boxes 1 to 5.

- He said, "I will tear down my barns and build greater ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods".
- God said to him, "You fool!"
- He thought to himself, "What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops".
- He said to himself, "Take life easy, eat, drink and be merry".
- A rich man's farm produced a good crop.

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Q: Unscramble the letters to find two words used to describe the man in the parable.

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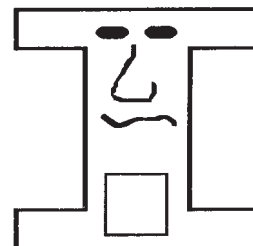


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The man who asked the Lord Jesus the question, was just the same as the rich farmer in the parable. Both were greedy for wealth, and each thought only of himself.

**Q: How many times did the man in the parable say 'I'?
Write your answer in the box.**



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In reality, the rich man was very poor. He had given no place in his life to God. Yet God was very interested in him. Do you ever consider how much God is interested in YOUR life?

Q: Draw a straight line from each title of God to the correct explanation.

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| The God of Creation | Who controls Life and Death. |
| The God of Love | Whom we must meet one day to explain how we have lived our lives. |
| The God of Time | Who wants us to show His love to those who are poor. |
| The God of Judgment | Who made the soil, sun and rain. |

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Q: Write IN YOUR OWN WORDS what plans the rich man had for his future.

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Q: What did God say about his future?

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Q: Write out the Key Verse and underline the warning which the Lord Jesus gave.

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This man lived only for this life and for himself. That made him a fool in God's sight. We need to prepare ourselves for what comes after death. When we ask for forgiveness, the Lord Jesus not only deals with our past sins, but also He gives us eternal life which ensures we have a place in Heaven, with Him forever. A person who does this is not a fool, but is very wise by God's standards.

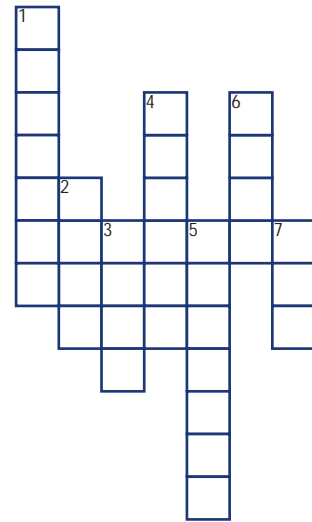
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Q: Read carefully what those who were invited said, and complete this Word Grid.

Clues

1. The third guest said he had done this and so could not come to the feast.
2. The second guest said he had bought five yoke (pairs) of these.
3. The first word in the invitation to the guests.
4. Another word for field or land.
5. The master sent this man to fetch the people in.
6. How many of those originally invited actually came to the supper?
7. The buyer of the field said he must go and do this.



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Q: Look for a hidden word across the grid and write it in the box below.

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Q: In the end, the house was filled. Name four kinds of people who came:-

1. _____ 2. _____
3. _____ 4. _____

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They simply accepted the invitation and enjoyed the supper. Not one of them was turned away! The Lord Jesus will receive you if you come to Him.

Q: Write out the Key Verse.

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In this parable the Lord Jesus is warning us of the danger of putting other things before His invitation. How sad if we should be outside of Heaven after having had every chance of being inside!

Q: Look up and write out Luke 13: 28.

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