



### Talk summary:

#### **How God's love looks like a broken jar of perfume [Luke 7:36-50]**

1. This love is costly [Luke 7 v37]
  - a. Jar of perfume is her allure, a very precious item, given entirely to Jesus.
  - b. She has given up her power, her income.
  - c. Both people were serious spiritual seekers; the cost to Simon was minimal.
  - d. Always involves giving up the things in our lives we build our foundation on
2. This love is broken and messy [Luke 7 v38]
  - a) Jesus' feet very dirty but she kisses them
  - b) Taking her hair out was quite an offensive thing to do then, she was overflowing with emotion, and wanting an encounter with Jesus
  - c) Simon was, rather, after knowledge
  - d) Hers is the better response
3. This love is freeing and beautiful [Luke 7 v44-46]
  - a) Her love was seeing Jesus as He really is
  - b) We are all the person with the greater debt
  - c) We are called to worship Him with passion

### Questions:

#### **Conversation Starter**

1. *What are the things tangling up my heart, which I may need to be released from ?*
2. *What do I think it would look like for me to grow in my love for Jesus ?*
3. *How do I relate to this ?*
  - *The physicality of the woman's response reminds us of the crucifixion*
  - *Her tears remind us of tears shed in Gethsemane*
  - *The broken jar reminds us of Jesus' broken body and His shed blood*

**Does our worship of Jesus come out of our knowledge/study of Him, or is our worship passionate and emotional ? Discuss.**

**Are we seeing our need for Jesus, or do we need to give up our dignity to find it in Jesus ?**

**How can we experience a deeper encounter with the love of Jesus so we can love others in the right way? Imagine what it would do to our Church and communities.**

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