



## Mary Magdalene

October 19th

Mary was one of the most popular names in Jesus' day which means it's easy to get the different Marys in the New Testament confused. As we focus on Mary Magdalene this weekend, let us take a few moments to learn about all the Marys we know about in the New Testament.

### **Read Luke 7:36-39**

What is meant by "a lady of the city, a sinner"?

Who is this woman identified as?

(Historically the church attributed this story to Mary Magdalene, which as we can see, is not Biblical!)

### **MARY - The Mother of Jesus**

### **Read Luke 1:26-38, 46-56**

List facts about Mary as you read and reflect.

Look at v.34 - what does this response say about Mary? (Think about most of the responses God gets from the other saints we have covered!)

Look at v.38 - Same question as before! What do we know about young Mary?

Look at v.46-55 - verse by verse write each stanza in your own words. What is she saying as she proclaims all of this?

Reflect on how these words attach Mary to prophecies we have looked at earlier in the Season of Saints.

### **Read John 19:25-27**

Reflect on Mary's presence at the crucifixion. (These verses let us know she was there.)

## Mary of Bethany

### **Read Luke 10:38-42**

Who would you be, Mary or Martha in this situation?

Who are you daily, Mary or Martha?

(Great reminder for all of us to sit at Jesus' feet more often!

This introduces us to Mary of Bethany, however these verses don't name Bethany as the location.

### **Read John 11:1-35**

Where is Mary from?

What was Jesus' relationship to this Mary?

Why did Jesus call Mary out of her home in v.28?

### **Read John 12:1-8, Matthew 26:6-16**

Notice how John wrote this story, along with chapter 11, with editorial notes to teach us about these women.

How much was 300 denarii? (Google?)

See how this story at first glance could lend one to put this Mary in the scene from Luke 7. But compare the differences in the story.

## Mary the wife of Clopus

### **Read Luke 24:18**

Who did Jesus visit with and what do we know about them from this passage?

### **Read John 19:25**

Who does John name at the foot of the cross?

## Mary the Mother of James

### **Read Matthew 27:55-56**

Who does Matthew name at the foot of the cross?

### **Read Mark 15:40**

Who does Mark name?

*Notice the name deviation.*

## Next Week

Martin Luther | Read the Book of Romans