

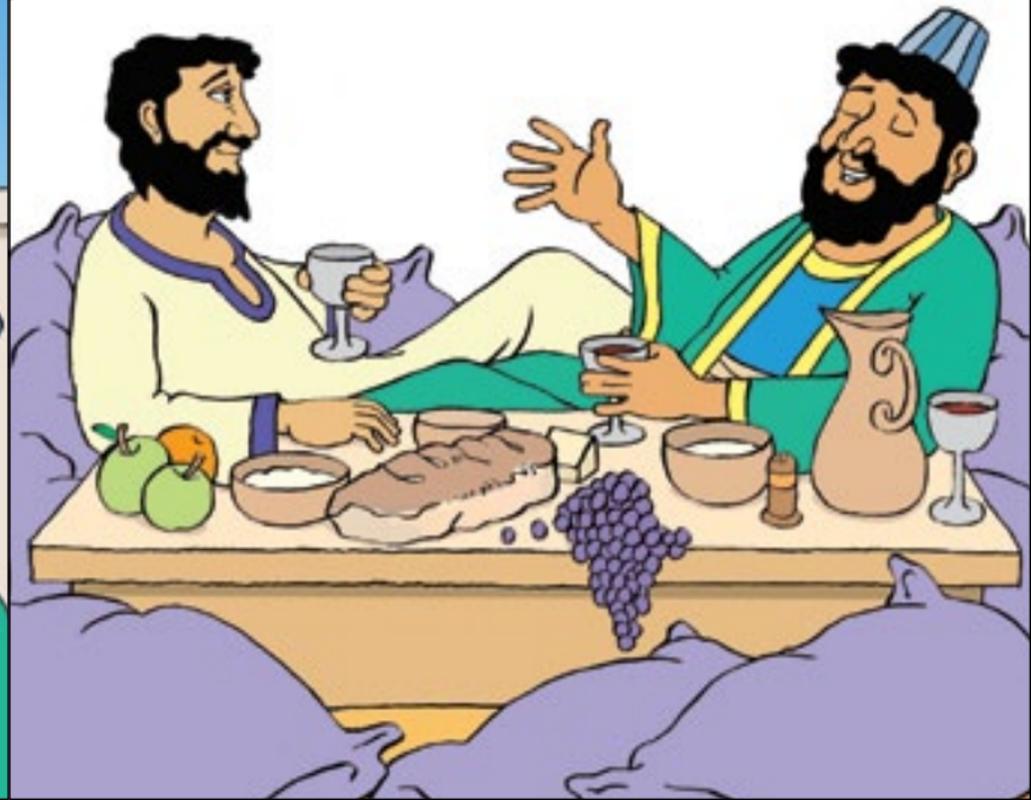
The woman who was forgiven



One day a man called Simon invited Jesus to his house for a meal.



So Jesus went to Simon's house and sat at the table with him. They ate and drank and talked about the events of the day.



Just then a woman arrived at the house. Simon was horrified! Everybody knew she was a bad woman. In her hands she carried a jar of expensive perfume.



She walked straight over to Jesus and wet his feet with her tears. She wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured out the perfume on them. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.



When Simon saw this, he said to himself,
“If Jesus really were a prophet, he would
know how bad this woman is and would not
let her touch him.”



But Jesus said to Simon, “Do you see this
woman? When I came into your house, you did
not give me any water to wash my feet, but she
wet them with her tears and wiped them with
her hair. You did not even put oil on my head,
but she has poured perfume on my feet.
Yes, she has done many bad things, but she has
been forgiven.”

The woman's tears showed that she was truly sorry for all the wrong things she had done.

Just like the woman, we have all done many wrong things. When Jesus died on the cross he gave his life so that we could be forgiven. He wants us to be truly sorry for those wrong things and trust him with all our heart.

The Bible says: "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

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