

Lesson 8 – Jesus' Marvelous Miracles and His Comments Regarding John – Luke 7

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19:10 "for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

of the priesthood, to enter the sanctuary of the Lord and offer incense. ¹⁰Now at the time of the incense offering, the whole assembly of the people was praying out loud. ¹¹Then there appeared to him an angel of the Lord, standing at the right side of the altar.

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Healing of Centurion's Servant (7:1-10)

- After entering Capernaum, elders of the Jews sent by a centurion approached Jesus with a request to come heal the centurion's servant who was near death (vv. 1-5).
- Nearing the centurion's house, Jesus is met by friends of the centurion with a message of his professed unworthiness of Jesus' presence and understanding of His authority to heal from afar (vv. 6-8).
- Jesus marvels at the faith of the centurion, and the friends return to find the servant healed (vv. 9-10).

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Raising the Widow of Nain's Son (7:11-18)

- Afterward, approaching the city of Nain, Jesus sees a widow's dead son being carried out (vv. 11-12).
- Jesus has compassion on the woman, tells her not to weep, and by His word raises the man from the dead (vv. 13-15).
- Fear came upon all, and they glorified God saying He had visited His people through a prophet, and the report spread (vv. 16-17).

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John's Doubts (7:19-23)

- John received a report of the recent events from his disciples and sends them to Jesus inquiring whether He is the “Coming One,” or whether to look for another (vv. 18-20).
- Jesus performs miracles, curing many, and tells the disciples of John to report back to him what they witnessed (vv. 21-23).

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Jesus' Comments Regarding John (7:24-30)

- Jesus addresses the people regarding John's previously shown character and appointment which they witnessed when they went into the wilderness to see him (vv. 24-27).
- Jesus contrasts John's greatness with that of kingdom citizens, and there follows two opposite reactions (vv. 28-30).

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Jesus' Comments on That generation (7:31-35)

- Jesus likens the generation to children playing a game who cannot be pleased (vv. 31-32).
- Jesus then applies His illustration to the rejection by some of both John and Jesus for opposite reasons (vv. 33-35).

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A Sinful Woman Anointed Jesus at Simon's House (7:36-50)

- A Pharisee named Simon invites Jesus into his house to eat, and a sinful woman comes and anoints and washes Jesus' feet with oil and her tears (vv. 36-38).
- The Pharisee thinks within himself that if Jesus were a prophet, He would know the kind of woman she was (v. 39).

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- Jesus presents a scenario to Simon about debtors being forgiven and asks concerning which will love the forgiving creditor more. Simon answers correctly (vv. 40-43).
- Jesus applies the scenario to the present situation, explaining that the woman is showing Jesus greater love than Simon, which is evidence of her great forgiveness (vv. 44-47).
- Jesus expressly states the woman's sins are forgiven, causing people to question, and tells the woman to go in peace (vv. 48-50).