



welcome
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sermon series

Jesus Favourite House:

Luke 10:38 *“Now it happened as they went that He entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house.”*

John 11:3 *“Lord, behold, he whom You love is sick.”*





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GOD LOVES YOU!

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Love & Acceptance

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1 John 3:18

*“My little children, let us not love in word or tongue, but in **deed** and in **truth**.”*

Love :-- Sacrificially ascribing infinite worth to another.



Brené Brown— The Gift of Imperfection

“...I don't know if you can love someone and betray them and be cruel to them, but I do know that when you betray someone or behave in an unkind way toward them, you are not practicing love.”



“a certain woman named Martha welcomed Jesus into her house.” Luke 10:38

Welcome - Greek = ὑποδέχομαι / hupodechomai / (hoop-od-ekh'-om-ah-ee)

Definition: I receive as a guest, entertain hospitably, welcome.

Acceptance: the action or process of being received as adequate or suitable, typically to be admitted into a group.

“Then one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee’s house, and sat down to eat...”

Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet...”

— Luke 7:36-50.



1. Accepting Jesus

“a certain woman named Martha welcomed Jesus into her house.”

Luke 10:38

We welcome Jesus. His presence makes us what we are.



The Pharisee did not welcome Jesus!

(1.) Provide water at the very least.

Simon didn't but she did with her tears.

(2.) You would provide oil. Simon didn't but she brought perfume.

(3.) You would welcome someone with a kiss. This guy didn't, she did



“Very truly I tell you, whoever accepts anyone I send accepts me; and whoever accepts me accepts the one who sent me.”

—John 13:20 (NIV)

If you have the Son...



2. Jesus Accepts Us

*“Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke to himself, saying, “This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and **what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner.**” Luke 7:39*



Religion says “stay away, get away, isolate, segregate, use social inclusion as a manipulative and controlling tool.

Jesus says, “COME!”



2 Corinthians 3:17-18

*“Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is **freedom**. And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord’s glory, are **being transformed** into his image...”*



Believe / Behave / Belong

vs.

Belong / Believe / Behave

**How can you belong when
you can't find acceptance?**



3. Accepting One Another

Romans 15:7 “Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you...”

- * Model it
- * Practice it
- * Proclaim it



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ACCEPTANCE

1. It is **personal.**
2. It is **intentional.**
3. It is **tied to love.**
4. It is **a two-way street.**
5. It is **unconditional.**



2 Corinthians 5:19 “*that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people’s sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.*”

**Accept that HE
Accepts YOU!**





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