



## Choose Commitment Luke 10:38-42

The greatest challenge  
I face every day of my life  
is to make my relationship  
with Jesus my first priority.

1. We find Mary at the feet of Jesus three times in the gospels. Read each of these passages. Why do you think Mary responded to Jesus in this way? What did she seem to know about Jesus that others around her weren't aware of?

Luke 10:38-42

John 11:31-33

John 12:1-3

The way we respond to chaos is determined by what we know and what we don't know about Jesus. Do you see any instances in your life when this has been true?

2. What do we learn about Martha in John 11:17-28? What does she know and what doesn't she seem to know about Jesus? Look for evidence of belief and unbelief. Do you see what she believes about the power of Jesus? Do you see where she is limiting the power of Jesus?

### Romans 15:13 Phillips Translation

And may the God of hope fill you with joy and peace in your faith, that by the power of the Holy Spirit, your whole life and outlook may be radiant with hope.

How does this Scripture relate to living calmly in chaos? What can God's power do? How does this relate to Mary and Martha?

3. In these two passages, what is Martha doing?

Luke 10:38-42

John 12:1-3

There's nothing wrong with Martha's desire to serve Jesus; but there is something wrong with her attitude about serving. In Luke 10:40,41 what words does Jesus use to describe her? What is wrong with her attitude?

Read Deuteronomy 28:47,48. What matters to God when we are serving?

4. Read Luke 10:38-42. Jesus says that Mary has chosen the best. What is Mary doing?

What is the one thing that Jesus says is necessary?

What do these Scriptures tell us about being a "doer" like Martha, and a "sitter" like Mary?

Colossians 3:23,24

Psalms 46:10

Psalms 100:2,3

Matthew 11:28-30

Which is easier for you—are you a "doer" or a "sitter"? Has this lesson revealed anything that you need to bring into balance? What changes can you make?

"There is only one relationship that matters, and that is your personal relationship to a personal Redeemer and Lord. Let everything else go, but maintain that at all costs, and God will fulfill His purpose through your life."

Oswald Chambers

**5.** This is our last lesson as we've learned from Jesus how to bring calm into our chaos. Read the gospels and you'll find many more situations with the disciples acting in confusion amid the chaos. I hope you see that Jesus is such a gentle and patient teacher!

Sum up what you want to remember about this study. You can do that by making a list of Scriptures or statements that spoke to you, or you can write a prayer to Jesus, thanking Him for all He's shown you.

## **See and Share**

\*Peer--to look closely or intently at something that may be difficult to see

**P**ray—Psalm 119:18

**E**xamine the context. Ask questions.

**E**valuate how this applies to you.

**R**espond. Talk to God about what you've seen.

**S**hare. Tell somebody!

As we have peered into this lesson, what have you seen? What will you hold on to from this lesson? Who will you share this with?