

FAMILY CONNECTION

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

SCRIPTURE | Luke 7:36-50

SESSION SUMMARY

Jesus always put people above cultural expectations, and His interaction with Simon the Pharisee and the woman he called “a sinner” (Luke 7:39) demonstrates this truth clearly. Simon believed Jesus would be on his side; instead, Jesus honored the woman for her humility while pointing out Simon's own failures as a host. Then He did something amazing: He forgave the woman of her sin. As we study this passage, we see that Jesus forgives us when we humbly come to Him in faith. Here are the key takeaways:

- Jesus is willing to forgive us (Luke 7:36-39).
- Forgiveness produces gratitude (Luke 7:40-50).

CONVERSATION QUESTIONS

- When does our family struggle to remember that Jesus deserves all our gratitude and worship? What makes us forgetful?
- Do we approach Jesus as the woman did, with humility and understanding of who we are and who He is? Why or why not?
- What makes our family feel like Jesus sees us?

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Buy an inexpensive journal or find an unused one around your house and designate it as your family's gratitude journal. By nature, humans are forgetful. Remembering what Jesus has done for us is important. Allow one family member to list a way Jesus has been faithful; then pass the journal to the right. That person will read the note(s) above and add to the list before passing the journal to the next person. Keep going until everyone has a turn. Continue to add to the journal as you think of daily things you're thankful for. Revisit it as often as needed to practice gratitude for who Jesus is and all He has done for you.