



## *Nothing Else*

### *Day 1: Chorus*

I'm caught up in Your presence  
I just want to sit here at Your feet  
I'm caught up in this holy moment  
I never want to leave  
Oh, I'm not here for blessings  
Jesus, You don't owe me anything  
More than anything that You can do  
I just want You

## *Scripture Reference*

When one of the Pharisees invited Jesus to have dinner with him, he went to the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. A woman in that town who lived a sinful life learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, so she came there with an alabaster jar of perfume. As she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them.

– *Luke 7:36–38*



Our scripture today depicts the story of a woman who so dearly loved Jesus, she spared no expense, suppressed no emotion, nor was she inhibited by societal norm to truly express that love to Jesus. The scripture tells us this woman had lived a sinful life. But when she heard of Jesus being in the area, she went to Him. After living a life of sin, her heart longed for Jesus. Not for what He could give her, but for His presence. She asked for nothing, but instead basked in His presence.

*Are you like that woman? Do you long for Jesus for Him – not for His blessings? Are you living a season of sin and need to turn back to Him? Or have you been living in His will but for the benefit your own creature comforts and what He can give you?*

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The scripture tells us the woman wept at Jesus' feet. That's getting caught up in a holy moment if ever there was one. How many times have you wept at the feet of someone? Probably not often. But overcome by her love for Jesus, the woman wept. How many times have you been so caught up in your love for Jesus that it's brought tears to your eyes? This woman spared no emotion to love Jesus.

*Do you spare, or hold back, emotion in loving Jesus? Have you ever wept in the presence of your Savior just from the mere presence of Him? If possible, recall a time you were overcome by His love and presence. If you can't recall a time, why do you think that is? What holds you back from truly recognizing the enormity of His presence and His love for you?*

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As she wept over His feet, the woman poured her jar of perfume over His feet. Perfume during this time was very expensive and seen as extravagant. By using her perfume, this woman spared no expense to love Jesus. References to this event in other Gospels tells us that some around Jesus even complained that the woman would waste such expensive perfume in such a careless act (in their opinion). But Jesus shows us that the act this woman performed was not wasteful or careless, but rather a way to show the importance of His love in her life. This woman spared no societal norms to love Jesus.

*Do you spare expense to love Jesus? Are there areas that have a hold on you more than the love of Jesus? Do you ignore or reject societal norms to genuinely love Jesus? Are there any areas or actions in your life that you dedicate to Jesus in a manner that might look wasteful or careless to those who do not know Jesus?*

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Wiping the feet of Jesus, the woman kissed them and poured expensive perfume over His feet. This woman just wanted Jesus. Above all, regardless of everything, she wanted Jesus. She didn't let money, culture, emotions, or distance keep her from her Savior. She didn't ask for anything in return. She just let herself be caught up in the holy moment of her Savior's presence. Can we say the same?

*End today sitting at the feet of Jesus. If you can, sit or kneel on the floor. Pour your heart out to Jesus. Express your love. Rather than asking for something in return, just praise Him and His faithful love. Let His presence consume you.*

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