

Key Scripture

Hebrews 12:28 CEV

We should be <u>grateful</u> that we were given a kingdom that cannot be shaken. And in this kingdom we please God by worshiping Him and by showing Him great honor and respect.

Gratefulness in Action

Luke 7:36-50 Message

36 One of the Pharisees asked Him over for a meal. He went to the Pharisee's house and sat down at the dinner table. 37 Just then a woman of the village, the town harlot, having learned that Jesus was a guest in the home of the Pharisee, came with a bottle of very expensive perfume 38 and stood at His feet, weeping, raining tears on His feet. Letting down her hair, she dried His feet, kissed them, and anointed them with the perfume. 39 When the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man was the prophet I thought he was, he would have known what kind of woman this is who is falling all over him." 40 Jesus said to him, "Simon, I have something to tell you." "Oh? Tell me." 41 "Two men were in debt to a banker. One owed five hundred silver pieces, the other fifty. 42 Neither of them could pay up, and so the banker canceled both debts. Which of the two would be more grateful?"

43 Simon answered, "I suppose the one who was forgiven the most." "That's right," said Jesus. 44 Then turning to the woman, but speaking to Simon, He said, "Do you see this woman? I came to your home; you provided no water for My feet, but she rained tears on My feet and dried them with her hair. 45 You gave Me no greeting, but from the time I arrived she hasn't quit kissing My feet. 46 You provided nothing for freshening up, but she has soothed My feet with perfume. 47 Impressive, isn't it?

She was forgiven many, many sins, and so *she is very, very grateful*.

If the forgiveness is minimal, the gratitude is minimal."

48 Then He spoke to her: "I forgive your sins." 49 That set the dinner guests talking behind His back: "Who does He think He is, forgiving sins!"

50 He ignored them and said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

Notes:	

The Grateful Life

Is Knowing Jesus

Living A Grateful Life...

1. Becomes a reality when you acknowledge Jesus.

Luke 7:37 CEV

When a sinful woman in that town <u>found out that Jesus was there</u>, she bought an expensive bottle of perfume.

Psalm 7:17 TLB

Oh, how <u>grateful</u> and thankful I am to the Lord because He is so good.

I will sing praise to the name of the Lord who is above all lords.

2. Is the outward expression of what you're <u>experiencing</u> on the inside.

Luke 7:37-38 Message

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38 and stood <u>at His feet, weeping</u>, <u>raining tears on His feet</u>. Letting down her hair, she dried His feet, kissed them, and anointed them with the perfume.

3. Is not allowing great sin to keep you from great forgiveness.

Luke 7:40-42 Message

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4. Helps you courageously do the honorable thing.

Luke 7:44-46 Message

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5. Is trusting <mark>Jesus</mark> has your back.

Luke 7:47 Message

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