

LEARNING WITH LUKE 10:38-42 - “Distracted or Discipled?”

Luke 10:41-42 the Lord answered her, “Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, **but one thing is necessary.** Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her”
Seeking clarity and precision in Biblical interpretation and theology is not nitpicking. When God speaks, it is not trivial. Do I ever engage in nitpicking in regard to the church? Finding something unimportant to complain and gripe about? If we are going to criticize, let us start with ourselves. Let us take the beam out of our own eye before nitpicking at the specks in everyone else’s. -KA Mathison- <http://tabletalkmagazine.com/posts/american-nitpickers-2020-06>

1- Martha was distracted with overdoing - to serve the Lord

Luke 10:38-40 - do you not care?

Luke 10:25-37 - good neighbor

JC Ryle- The sheep in the Lord's flock have each their own peculiarities.

There will be Marys and Marthas in the church until the Lord comes.

2- Mary was discipled with listening - to learn God's Word

Luke 10:39 - sat at the Lord's feet

Neh 8, Luke 8:35, Acts 22:3

Deut 8:1-3 - every word of the Lord

RK Hughes- Mary was listening intently to the Word of God through the lips of Jesus.

The highest priority for those who would be activists for God is listening to His Word.

3- Jesus was discerning with wisdom - one thing is necessary

Luke 10:41-42 - many things vs one thing

Luke 8:14, Luke 21:34 - watch yourselves

Psalm 16:5, 73:26, 119:57 - my portion

RC Sproul- This is the time to make the seeking of the kingdom of God the main business of our lives. We cannot afford to be casual about this commitment.

4- How are you determined to respond? - choose the good portion

Luke 10:42 - Mary has chosen

Luke 12:22-34 - do not be anxious

John 11:27 - yes Lord, I believe

2 Peter 1:1-21 - all that you need

Spiritual Disciplines - training in Christ-likeness

Bible study - soul nourishment

Prayer - talking, listening to God

Worship - all your mind, heart, will

Evangelism - telling others good news

Service - helping others in Jesus' name

Stewardship - storing treasures in heaven

Fasting, Bible meditation, journaling, etc

The only road to Christian maturity and godliness passes through the practice of the spiritual disciplines, personal and corporate. Jesus modeled them for us and expects us to pursue them. -DS Whitney

DAILY BIBLE READING - ENGAGE~WORD~CHURCH~COMMUNITY...

6-28 **Luke 10:38-42** - one thing

6-29 **Deut 8:1-20** - every word

6-30 **Psalm 16:1-11** - my chosen

7-01 **John 11:1-44** - Lord I believe

7-02 **2 Pet 1:1-11** - the knowledge

7-03 **2 Pet 1:12-21** - by the Spirit

7-04 **2 Chron 7:11-22** - repent

The Spirit of God works the Word of God so the people of God become like the Son of God

♦ *How will I be transformed, by God's truth, in the Spirit's power, as I trust & obey?*

