

FaceTime
Week #4 – Mary Magdalene

Even when we find ourselves in the deepest, darkest of places, Jesus sees us and reaches out to redeem and restore us to a resilient faith. Just like Mary Magdalene, we too can be released from our demons by seeking and following Jesus.

## Scriptures:

"Soon afterward Jesus began a tour of the nearby towns and villages, preaching and announcing the Good News about the Kingdom of God. He took his twelve disciples with him, along with some women who had been cured of evil spirits and diseases. Among them were Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons; Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod's business manager; Susanna; and many others who were contributing from their own resources to support Jesus and his disciples."

Luke 8:1-3

"This means that God's holy people must endure persecution patiently and remain faithful." Revelation 13:10b

## **Icebreaker and Intro Questions:**

- 1. What are 3 words you'd use to describe yourself?
- 2. What resonated with you from Sunday's service? (Sermon, scripture, song, etc.)

## **Discussion Questions**

3. Read Luke 8:1-3. Give everyone several minutes to read and underline anything that resonates with them. Encourage everyone to read the story more than once. Then spend some time sharing: what stands out to you and why?

- 4. Have someone read Revelation 13:10b. Eddie asked us to consider this question, "Is your faith resilient?" How would you respond to that?
- 5. Mary could have been held back from following Jesus by her past, the perception of others, or by her position. Have any of these ever been a struggle for you? How can you allow Jesus' voice that says who you ARE to be clear?
- 6. Mary is remembered as a faithful follower of Jesus even as one of the first witnesses of his resurrection. How would you like to be remembered?

## This week:

- The Chosen is the first-ever-multi-season TV show about the life of Jesus. During our FaceTime series, we'll use clips from this series to allow us to see Jesus through the eyes of those who knew him. Visit The Chosen's website for options of how to watch.
- As a church, we want to intentionally spend time with God this summer, letting him shape us as
  we move into a new and unique season. Set aside some time to use this prayer guide as a way to
  come close to God.

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