

## **Cultivating an Attitude of Gratitude**

Sometimes, we forget the 999 blessings God already gave us and complain about the one thing we haven't received yet.

### **A heart of gratitude is a fertile ground for God's miracles.**

Faith thrives in an atmosphere of gratitude and Unbelief is no stranger to an ungrateful heart.

I Thess. 5:18 says "In everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus"

Luke 7:35-47 speaks about a **Pharisee**, a **Prophet** and a **Prostitute**. This woman has "No Name", she spoke no words. Yet is one of the greatest worshippers in the Bible.

### **Luke 7:35-47**

*36 When one of the Pharisees invited Jesus to have dinner with him, he went to the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. 37 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. 38 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.*

*39 When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know who is touching him and what kind of woman she is—that she is a sinner."*

*40 Jesus answered him, "Simon, I have something to tell you."*

*"Tell me, teacher," he said.*

*41 "Two people owed money to a certain moneylender. One owed him five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. 42 Neither of them had the money to pay him back, so he forgave the debts of both. Now which of them will love him more?"*

*43 Simon replied, "I suppose the one who had the bigger debt forgiven."*

*"You have judged correctly," Jesus said.*

*44 Then he turned toward the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I came into your house. You did not give me any water for my feet, but she wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. 45 You did not give me a kiss, but this woman, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing my feet. 46 You did not put oil on my head, but she has poured perfume on my feet. 47 Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven—as her great love has shown. But whoever has been forgiven little loves little."*

#### **1. She realized the Depth of her SIN-**

Romans 3:23 - For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God

#### **2. She understood the Depth of God's Love-**

Romans 5:8 - But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

#### **3. She operated out of the Depth of her Gratitude-**

Her worship was an overflow of her gratitude towards God.

Psalm 103:1-2 - Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

<sup>2</sup> Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits—