

IV. **KNOW** GOD WILL REWARD YOU

“I Now after the Sabbath, as the first day of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb.

5 But the angel answered and said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. 6 He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.” Matthew 28:1, 5-6

“Now when He rose early on the first day of the week, He appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom He had cast seven demons.” Mark 16:9

“But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.” Hebrews 11:6

V. **SHARE** THE GOSPEL

“16 Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to Him, “Rabboni!” (which is to say, Teacher).

17 Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, ‘I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.’”

18 Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that He had spoken these things to her.” John 20:16-18

“For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.” Romans 1:16

Commit To Being Devoted To Jesus Like Mary Magdalene!!

AT THE CROSS WITH PEOPLE WHO WERE THERE

At The Cross...Mary Magdalene

Life Lessons About Devotion

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INTRODUCTION

A. Many people followed Jesus in His life (John 6:10), but only a few followed him to His death (John 6:66). The At The Cross teaching series will introduce you to the positive Bible characters who were at the cross with Jesus. This experience will draw you closer to Jesus during this sacred Easter season.

“looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.” Hebrews 12:2

B. In this series, you will have the rare opportunity to look at the cross through the eyes of those who were there and learn valuable life lessons from them.

TODAY At The Cross...Mary Magdalene
Life Lessons About Devotion

Feb 25 **At The Cross...John The Disciple**
Life Lessons About Courage

Mar 4 **At The Cross...Mary The Mother Of Jesus**
Life Lessons About Obedience

Mar 11 **At The Cross...The Roman Soldier**
Life Lessons About Grace

Mar 18 **At The Cross...The Criminal On The Cross**
Life Lessons About Salvation

Mar 25 **At The Cross...You And Me!**
Life Lessons About Suffering

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Magdalene is not Mary’s last name. It refers to the **area** where she was from (Matthew 15:39).

LIFE LESSONS ABOUT DEVOTION FROM MARY MAGDALENE

I. **ALLOW** GOD TO HEAL YOUR LIFE

“1 Now it came to pass, afterward, that He went through every city and village, preaching and bringing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God. And the twelve were with Him,

2 and certain women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities—Mary called Magdalene, out of whom had come seven demons,”
Luke 8:1-2

“He heals the brokenhearted And binds up their wounds.”

Psalm 147:3

“4 But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us,

5 even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved).”

Ephesians 2:4-5

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.”
II Corinthians 5:17

“Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”
John 14:27

II. **GIVE** GENEROUSLY TO GOD’S MISSION

“2 and certain women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities—Mary called Magdalene, out of whom had come seven demons,

3 and Joanna the wife of Chuza, Herod’s steward, and Susanna, and many others who provided for Him from their substance.”
Luke 8:2-3

“19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you;...”
Matthew 28:19-20a

“6 But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

7 So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.”

II Corinthians 9:6-7

III. **USE** YOUR GIFTS TO SERVE

“55 And many women who followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to Him, were there looking on from afar, 56 among whom were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedee’s sons.”

Matthew 27:55-56

“55 And the women who had come with Him from Galilee followed after, and they observed the tomb and how His body was laid.

56 Then they returned and prepared spices and fragrant oils. And they rested on the Sabbath according to the commandment.”
Luke 23:55-56

“25 But Jesus called them to Himself and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who are great exercise authority over them.

26 Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant.

27 And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave—

28 just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”

Matthew 20:25-28