

Many have thought that Mary Magdalene was a prostitute. Artists and commentators have depicted her as such. On the other hand, Catholic hospitals and homes for wayward girls have been named for her. There is no evidence in the Bible to support the former conclusion. A recent TV program cast Mary M. as a prostitute whom Jesus later married after he faked his death and was spirited away by close friends. Supposedly they had children and their offspring live in France to this very day. Such a concoction is devilish, sacrilegious, and blasphemous! See: HBD article (below).

12. **The Mission Of Jesus** (Lk 19:10) “*For the Son _____ is come to _____ and to _____ that which was _____.*” Jesus never condoned sin but he understood human frailty. (Jn 3:17) “*For God _____ his Son into the world to _____ the world; but that the world _____ might be saved.*” Jesus offered the remedy for sin. He didn’t come to “write off” anyone who had fallen prey to worldly allurements. He came to offer “a way out.” His mission was to _____.

Read All The Choices And Choose the Best Answer

13. Simon (in our lesson)? **was a former thief was a Pharisee was healed was a mason**
 14. In the Sermon on Mount Jesus? **upheld Judaism claimed fulfillment of Law denied birthright**
 15. John? **was incarcerated had six brothers was rather sissified gave 3 camels for his wife**
 16. Nain? **a kind of pudding 123 mi SE Nazareth scene of healing the birthplace of Jesus**
 17. Mary Magdalene? **was a prostitute could neither read or write washed Jesus’ feet snored**
 18. The Great Invitation? **Matthew 1 Peter John Hissop**
 19. Where Jesus ate? **with Simon Peter at Western Sizzler with His wife with a Pharisee**
 20. John wanted? **verification of Jesus to cause trouble to break jail better living conditions**
 21. John was? **greatest average least fortunate**
 22. The Nain widow? **was having marital problems was blind won the sweepstakes son died**
 23. The centurion? **named Cornelius was an Ethiopian had had a servant was a leper**

OF INTEREST: From Holman Bible Dictionary

Mary Magdalene *Magdala was an important agricultural, fishing, and trade center of ancient Galilee.* Mark 16:9 and Luke 8:2 indicate that this Mary, from Magdala, was exorcised of some seven demons. In antiquity, demon possession was an indication of physical or spiritual illness; obviously, Mary Magdalene was quite ill before her encounter with Jesus. Mary eventually became part of an inner circle of supporters of Jesus. She was a witness of His crucifixion (Mark 15:40; Matt. 27:56; John 19:25), burial (Mark 15:47; Matt. 27:61), the empty tomb (Mark 16:18; Matt. 28:1-10; Luke 24:10), and she was a witness of Jesus' resurrection (Mark 16:9; John 20:1-18). *A tradition, especially prevalent in western Christianity from about A.D. 500 onward, identified Mary Magdalene with the sinful woman of Luke 7:36-50.* The text gives no reason for such an association, as the introduction of Mary in Luke 8 is quite removed topically from Luke 7:36. To confuse the interpretative tradition further, the sinful woman in the anointing scene of Luke 7:36-50 is often identified incorrectly as another Mary, the sister of Martha and Lazarus. No evidence exists that the sinful woman of Luke 7 should be identified as Mary.

Mary (of Bethany), the sister of Martha and Lazarus Mary, Martha, and Lazarus seem to have been part of an inner circle of Jesus' associates. The Gospel of John places particular emphasis on their select status. Mary from Bethany played a primary role in the episode of Lazarus' resurrection from the dead in John 11. In John 12, Mary anointed Jesus' feet with precious oil, thus serving an important confessional function of anticipating Jesus' death. Given the sequence of John's Gospel, Mary is represented as a follower of Jesus who is well acquainted with Jesus' ultimate destiny (compare Judas, the disciple in John 12:4, who is not as well informed).