



**Mary Magdalene**  
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How has your past shaped the person you are today? What ways do you believe God can use your unique story to impact others?

**Read: Luke 8:1-3**

Reflecting on the roles of Mary Magdalene and other women in the Bible, how does their involvement in Jesus' ministry challenge or reinforce your understanding of women's roles in spiritual contexts today?

Women supported Jesus' ministry "out of their own means." How important is the support of a community in advancing the gospel, and how can you contribute to a supportive environment?

**Read: John 19:25 & John 20:1-2**

How does Mary Magdalene's transformation from her past to becoming a pivotal figure in Jesus' resurrection story encourage you about the possibilities for your future, regardless of your past?

**Read: John 20:10-18**

Mary Magdalene did not recognize Jesus immediately after His resurrection. Have there been times in your life when you've failed to recognize Jesus' presence or work? How did you come to understand that it was Him at work in your life?

When Christ saves you, He becomes the most important part of your story. Spend some time discussing how the following truths impact your personal perspective:

- Mary Magdalene reminds us that we have a Savior who rescues us from sin and shame.
- Mary Magdalene reminds us that our past will not keep God from using us in the future.
- Mary Magdalene reminds us that our story matters, no matter how insignificant we may feel about it.

"Mary Magdalene is a beautiful picture of the overwhelming grace of God being extended to unworthy people, like us, in Jesus." - Jon Bloom

In what ways does accepting Christ into one's life change a person's identity and purpose? How has accepting Christ changed yours?