

MOTHER'S DAY 2007
An interactive Bible study for
individuals, families,
and LIFE Groups



Life Groups

~ May 13-19, 2007 ~
“A Woman’s Place”
Luke 10:38-42

Use this discussion guide to take notes on the Sunday sermon, reflect upon it during the week, and apply its content to your life. If you ever miss a sermon, you can always listen to it online at www.upc-orlando.com.

LISTEN

Record your insights and observations from this week's sermon:

SHARE

What is your favorite thing to do to relax?

REFLECT

a) Review this week's passage (Luke 10:38-42). Describe Martha from what you learn there. What made her tick? What can you tell were her passions, gifts, assets, and liabilities? (Note: Martha usually gets a lot of criticism; try to capture her positive traits.)

b) Describe Mary from what you learn in this passage. Again, think of what made her unique. What can you tell were Mary's passions, gifts, assets, and liabilities? (As wonderful a person as Mary was, avoid idealizing her.)

c) What do you think of Martha's question and request to Jesus in verse 40?

d) What does Jesus' response to Martha in verses 41-42 mean to you?

e) Read Luke 12:22-31. In your opinion, how might this passage relate to this week's story about Mary and Martha?

APPLY

- a) Distractions often keep us from spending time in prayer or reading the Bible. What are the things that most frequently distract you? Brainstorm some ideas for minimizing these distractions so that you can spend quality time with Jesus.

- b) What are the important but non-urgent (Quadrant IV) things in your life? What needs to happen so that you can spend more time focusing on these things?

- c) It is important for us to get rest and recharge. Taking a vacation or a retreat, or spending some extended time praying and studying the Word are a few ways to do that. What is one thing that you currently do to rest and recharge? What is one thing you currently do not do but would like to do in order to rest and recharge?

- d) Take some time to write a list of the things in life that are currently worrying or upsetting you. Share some of what you wrote with another person or with your LIFE Group. Then pray with that person or group, laying your burdens at the feet of Jesus.
