

# Mary Magdalene

*Before you begin your lesson prepare your heart in prayer.  
Ask the Lord to open His word to you, to make you teachable and to  
help you understand and apply the Scriptures to your own life.*

*Read the following passages concerning Mary.*

*Luke 8:1-3; 24:10*

*Matthew 27:55-56, 61; 28:1-10*

*Mark 15:40-41, 47; 16:1-20*

*John 19:25; 20:1-18*

- 1. Write down what you have learned about Mary from these passages.*

## **The Transformed Life**

*Luke 8:2-3*

- 2. Mary was delivered from 7 demons and began her new life serving Christ. Recall your salvation experience, what has God delivered you from?*

- A.** *List 5 significant turning points in your life since you have received Christ.*
- 3.** *If you have not received Christ as your Savior, what has a hold on you from doing so?*
- 4.** *Christ so transformed Mary's life that she gave herself to Him in service. Read Romans 12:1. What should be your response to Jesus' salvation gift to you?*
- 5.** *Are there areas in your life that are not yet sacrificially given over to Him? (Read 2 Samuel 24:24)*

## **The Devoted Life**

Listed below are several different translations of Luke 8:3b to help bring out its full meaning.

*"...which ministered unto Him of their substance." KJV*

*"...who ministered to and provided for Him and them out of their property and personal belongings." Amplified*

*"...who were contributing from their own resources to support Jesus and His disciples." New Living Translation*

*"...who used to look after Jesus' and His companions comfort from their own resources." Phillips*

*"...who were contributing to their support out of their private means." NASB*

*"...who gave Him of their wealth for His needs." Bas*

6. What is the message in this verse and what does it mean to you?

7. Read Matthew 25:40. What are some practical ways you can provide for others in the body of Christ to minister to their needs?



**12.** *Put yourself in Mary's place. What emotions might you have felt?*

**13.** *Has there been a time in your Christian walk when you felt you had no hope?*

**A.** *What do you do at this time?*

**14.** *Look up I Peter 1:3-5. What hope does this give you?*

**15.** *In John 20:11 it tells us that “Mary stood outside by the tomb weeping,” in the Greek this means wail aloud. What comfort does Psalm 30:5b give you?*

**16.** *In John 20:14, Mary doesn't recognize Jesus. Give three possible reasons why she did not.*

**17.** *When does Mary recognize Jesus?*

**18.** *Read John 10:3-4. Have you learned to recognize the voice of the Lord?*

**19.** *What does Mary do in response after her encounter with the Lord?*

**20.** *Spend some time in prayer asking the Lord how you can share the good news with others and then do it!*

We see in Mary's life a woman who did much for the One who had done much for her.

Mary's gratefulness and love are shown in her devotion to Jesus.

Reflect on your own life and ask yourself if yours is one of absolute devotion to the One who has done so much for you.

**21.** *From Mary's life, what have you learned about God's:*

*Love*

*Mercy*

*Grace*

*Faithfulness*

*Peace*