



HAT DOES IT MEAN TO ME?

Who do you identify with most in this story and why?

- 1) Mary - I want to be focused on Jesus.
- 2) Martha - I want to serve Jesus and others.
- 3) Martha - I don't like it when others don't do their share.
- 4) Mary - I don't always serve others.

What things are easier for you to focus on than Christ?

- 1) My chores.
- 2) My friends.
- 3) My homework.
- 4) My family.

What are the things that keep you focused on Him?

- 1) Reading the Bible.
- 2) Christian friends.
- 3) My believing family.
- 4) My church.

How does your relationship with Jesus compare with that of Mary?

- 1) He is more important than anything to me.
- 2) I call to Him in times of trouble.
- 3) I know He loves me.
- 4) I express my feelings to Him.

Behind the Story

Read Psalm 34:4-5. How does David describe the faces of those who look to the Lord?

Mary looked to the Lord when she sat at His feet and listened to Him. In what way do you look to the Lord?

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Jesus would always draw a crowd. As guests arrived, what was Mary doing?

What was taking Martha's attention, energy and focus?

What did Jesus say to her?



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How did Martha allow herself to become distracted from what was important in the beginning of this story?

What do you think she was feeling as she took care of her special guests?

What might have been her motivation for opening her home to Jesus?

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