

## ***Fall Bible Study 2024***

*November 4, 2024, 6:30 PM (on zoom)*

### **Lesson Seven: Mary Magdalene – A True Disciple**

#### **Welcome and Lighting of the Candle**

#### **Opening Prayer**

**Background discussion: How important is Mary Magdalene? She is mentioned in all four gospels, especially at the Resurrection, so I think there's a lot to be said for her love and dedication to Jesus. What do you think?**

**Biblical study:** Our Biblical knowledge of Mary Magdalene is very brief, but perhaps speaks volumes.

- 1) Mary Magdalene's first recognition: Luke 8:1-3

Read and discuss: What does this passage reveal about Mary Magdalene? Do you think she followed Jesus out of gratitude?

- 2) No Word until the End Mary's activities presumed.

Read and discuss: What do we assume about Mary during Jesus's time with his disciples?

- 3) Mary Magdalene at the Crucifixion: Matthew 27:55-56; Mark 15: 40-41; Luke 23:49; John 19:26.

Read and discuss: What does Mary Magdalene's presence at the Crucifixion mean? How do you think she is feeling? What will she do?

- 4) Mary Magdalene at the Burial: Matthew 27:57-61; Mark 15:42-47; Luke 23:55-56.

Read and discuss: Burial duties were part of the tradition, what makes this time different? What is Mary hoping for?

- 5) Mary Magdalene's witness to Jesus's resurrection: Matthew 28:1-10; Mark 16:1-8,9-11; Luke 24:1-11; John 20:1-18

Read and discuss: Here as a witness to Jesus's Resurrection, Mary holds center stage, why do you think this is? What will Mary do now with this knowledge? Can you image?

**Concluding discussion:** Even though we have only a few glimpses of Mary Magdalene, I would call her a true disciple. What do you think? What does that say to us? How are we also faithful disciples?

**Closing Prayers**