Do You See This Person?

Luke 7:36-50 Pastor Phil Winfield April 27, 2014

Luke 7:38 and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil.

The tale of two sinners:

- 1. Repentance and faith bring <u>remittance</u> and <u>peace</u>. v.37-38. True faith, repentance and salvation are always accompanied by a change in **attitude** and **action**.
 - a. Forgiven people **recognize** and don't **minimize** sin
 - b. Forgiven people are revealed by **humility**
 - c. Forgiven people show **lavish affection**
 - d. Forgiven people are not **ashamed**
- 2. The self-righteous reject any need for **<u>repentance</u>** v.39-50.
 - a. The self-righteous have no sense of <u>personal debt</u> (v.40-43) The scale of our gratitude reflects our understanding of the <u>size of our</u> <u>sin debt</u>.
 - b. The self-righteous are blind to their **failures**. V.44-46
 - c. The self-righteous are blind to **<u>changed lives</u>**. v.44-46.
 - d. The self-righteous cringe at the thought of **forgiveness** v.47-50.

What does this mean for us?

- Forgiven people experience a change of attitude and activity. There is a heart change that leads to life change; no **change**, no **conversion**.
- Forgiven people are not ashamed of Jesus. Jesus took our shame so that we can live **unashamed**.
- Forgiven people are compelled to serve sacrificially. Salvation always results in <u>service</u>.