

LifeGroup Questions: Come and See #8
Luke 7:36-50

1. At the beginning of Dan's message, he had us all repeat, "We all have rags." At the end he invited us to come up and grab our rag. Do you have a rag story to share? Perhaps something that God did in your heart/mind this weekend? Perhaps an area of shame he is dealing with? Or something else?
2. Read Luke 7:36-50. Who do you most identify with in this story? (Doesn't have to be Simon or the woman, but certainly could be.) Why do you identify with them? As that person with whom you identify, how do you encounter Jesus?
3. Are you pursuing a love that proves your worth or a love that gives you worth? What is an example in your life of either? What is it other than Christ's love that you seek your worth in? What would it look like for you if your life, your identity was defined by Christ's love for you?
4. Dan talked about masks, when we try to hide our rags they become masks. And when we put on the mask, we find that it's not enough to hide our rags, we end trying to expose other people rags. This is what Simon was doing to the woman. Have you ever had that happen to you? In what area do you most have the tendency to expose the rags of others and minimize the gravity of your own?
5. Read Luke 7:39-47. A prophet is called to be a seer. Are you a seer? Do you see people the way Jesus does? Are you intentional about speaking words of life and hope and truth and love and meaning into them? For whom is God calling you to be a seer?
6. Dan's last two points were that love is key but vulnerability is required. Jesus' love for us is key. The one who knows us best, loves us the most. But receiving that love requires a bit of vulnerability. The woman exhibited vulnerability. She surrendered. She came in spite of the crowd. She uncovered herself. What makes that kind of vulnerability difficult for us?
7. How is Jesus asking you to lean into this story? What's the application point for you?