The Lord's encounters with women

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1. At the well of Sychar

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Structures in John

- The signs
- 'Mine hour is not yet come'
- 'I am'
- The feast days
- The encounters with women

Encounters in John

- The wedding at Cana   The whole picture
- At the well of Sychar   Understanding his word
- Woman taken in adultery   Confessing to the Lord
- Martha and Mary   Reborn
- Anointing his feet   Dedication and service...
- Behold thy son   ...unto the end
- In the garden   The Risen Lord

The route to Galilee

Ebal, Gerizim, Shechem

The impact of the word

4:9   What's a Jew doing talking to me?

4:11   He is now 'Sir' or 'Lord'

4:15   'Sir I need something from you'

4:17   An honest confession

4:19   A declaration - a prophet!

4:25   A realisation this is Messiah

4:29   The Christ, because of his words

2. Caught in Adultery

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Part of the inspired text?

Against:

Contains words not used elsewhere

Oldest and best manuscripts don't have it

Old Latin and Greek expositors don't comment on it

A true story?

For:

Fits the context well (8:12)

Christ and Scribes and Pharisees in character

Apostle John's disciples knew of it

Augustine says some removed it from their manuscripts to stop women appealing to this tale

Israel, to your tents

- 1 Samuel 8:22

- 2 Samuel 20:1

- 2 Chronicles 10:16

Caught in the very act

- Jesus, judge in the temple

- Law fulfilled (Deut 17)

- The writing (Jeremiah 17:13, Exodus 31:18, Daniel 5:5,25-28)

- Convicted by their own consciences (1 Cor 11:31)

- Jesus will not condemn

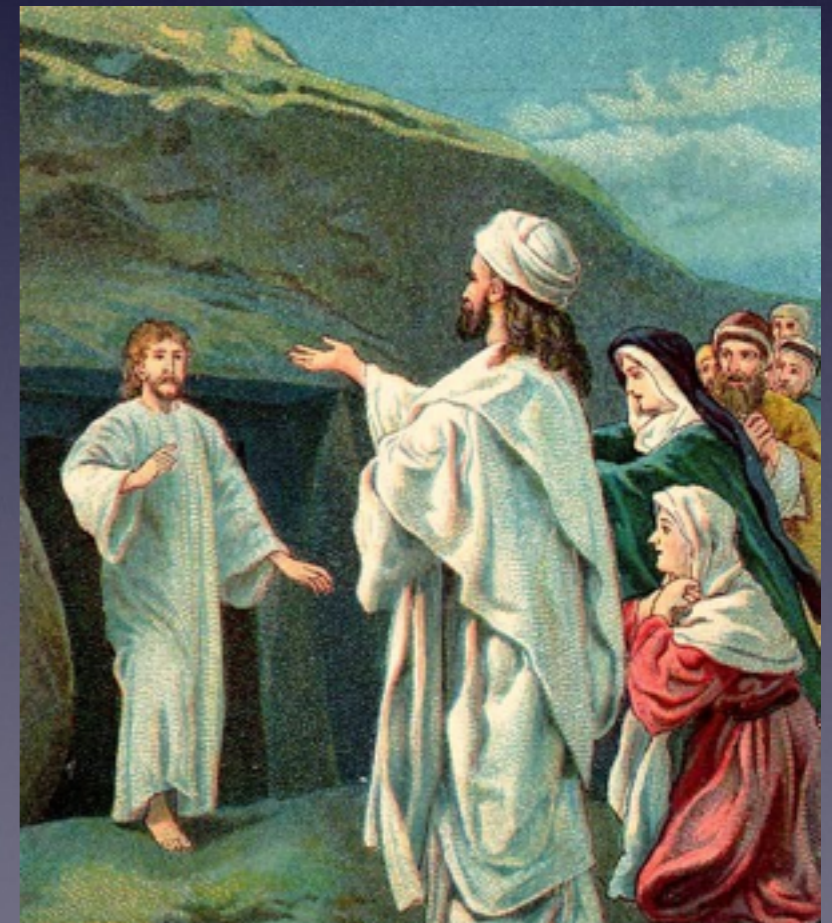The Woman Taken In Adultery by William Hole

3. Martha and Mary

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Resurrection

- Old testament signs

- Elijah (x1) and Elisha (x2)

- Jesus (x3), themselves all developing

- Jesus himself, and the saints

- Dorcas and Eutychus

Sisters together

- Impact of the resurrection

- Beloved of the Lord Jesus

- Shared the same beliefs (John 11:21, 33)

Martha's issues

- Distracted by her serving

- Jealous and angry about others

- Complained about it to Jesus

- And told him what to do

Martha's Service

- Learned to undertake her service in quiet patience...and others helped her (John 12:1)

4. Anointing the Lord

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Women in Luke

- Elisabeth

- Mary

- Anna

- Widow of Zarephath

Widow of Nain

- Death

- Gate of the City

- 'delivered to his mother'

- No mention of sins

- Close to Shunem

Anointing of Jesus

- Same event?

- Same person?

- Mary...and Mary?

Parable of the Talents

- Where do we fit in?

- Can forgiven sins be reinstated?

- The need for us to forgive

5. His healing touch

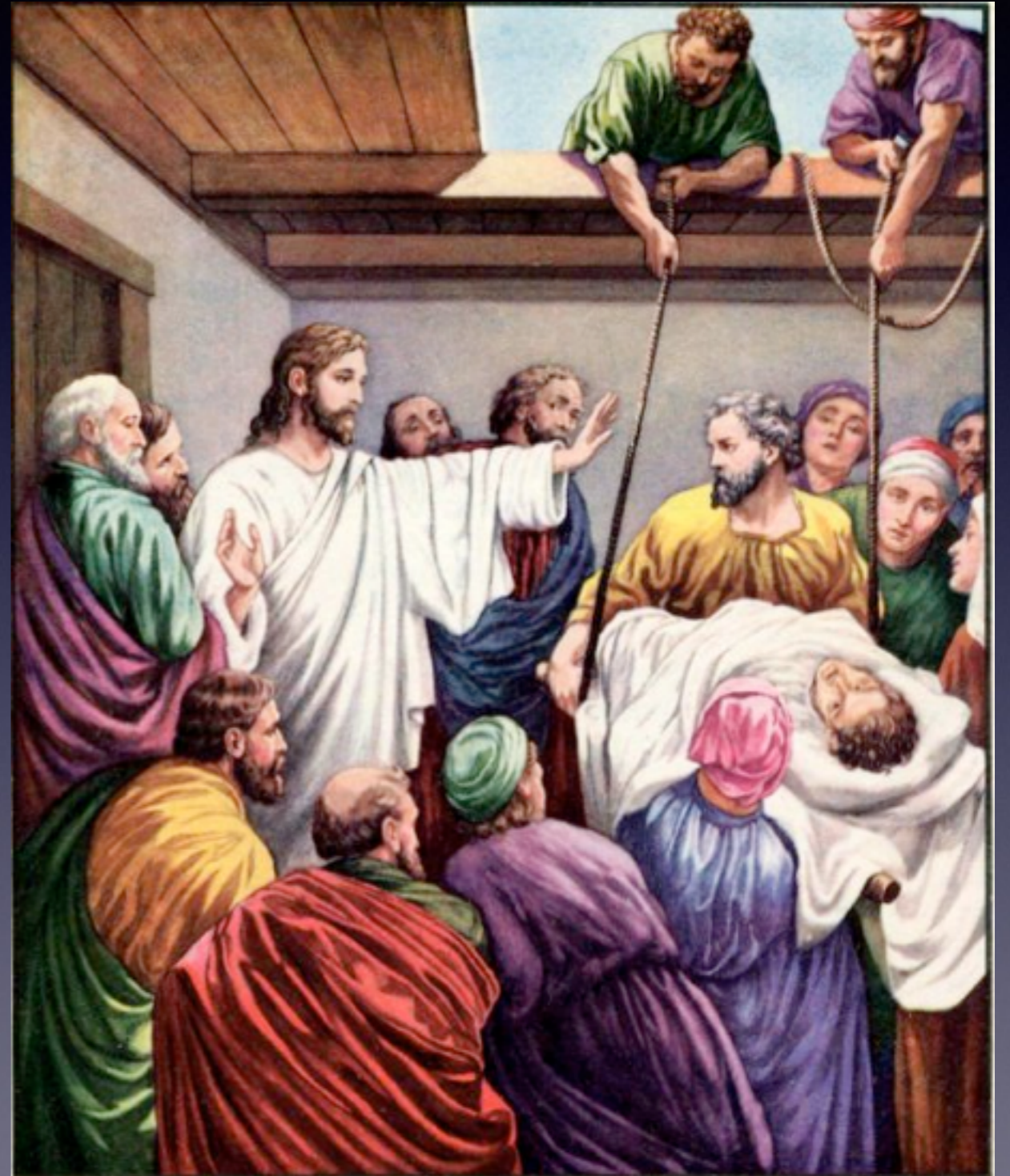Eastern Christadelphian Bible School
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The Priorities of Jesus

1. To preach the kingdom of heaven
(Mark 1: 32-38)

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2. The forgiveness of sins
(Mark 2:1-12)

The Priorities of Jesus

3. To save people
(Mark 5:25-34)

Healing by touch

Many examples where Jesus heals by touch.

(Haggai 2:11-13)

He came unto his own people, and was not ashamed to be associated with them.

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Healing from afar

The Syrophoenician woman's daughter
(Matthew 15: 21-28)

(Ephesians 2:11-13)

6. The Bride of Christ

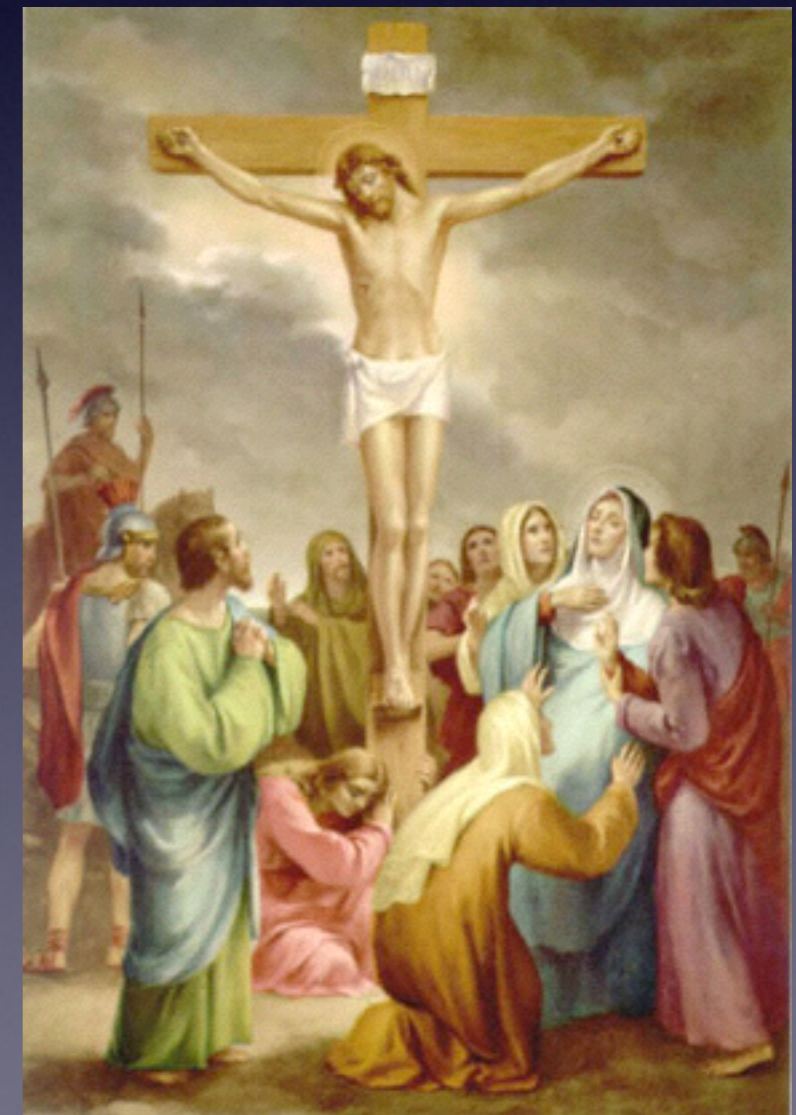Eastern Christadelphian Bible School
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At the cross

Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
			His mother
Mother of Zebedee's children	Salome		Mother's sister
Mary, mother of James & Joses	Mary, mother of James & Joses	Mary, mother of James	Mary, wife of Cleopas
Mary Magdalene	Mary Magdalene	Mary Magdalene	Mary Magdalene

At the cross

- It was the women who endured to the end

- Only John (not Peter) was there

Resurrection morn

- The women served, even after his death

- Because of this, they heard it first

- They told others

The Emmaus Road

- They could not see

- Persuaded by the word

- Saw in the breaking of bread

- Unstoppable in their enthusiasm