

## MARY MADE THE BETTER CHOICE

*“And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.” (Romans 12:2)*

## JESUS NOTICED HER GOOD CHOICE

*“For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: 15 And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again.” (2 Corinthians 5:14-15)*

*“One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple.” (Psalm 27:4)*

## CONCLUSION

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# TRANSFORMED BY GRACE

## Transformed or Stressed?

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## Text: Luke 10:38-42

*“Now it came to pass, as they went, that he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house. 29 And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus’ feet, and heard his word. 40 But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? Bid her therefore that she help me. 41 And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things: 42 But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.” (Luke 10:38-42)*

## INTRODUCTION

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**Quote:** “The presence of anxiety is unavoidable, but the prison of anxiety is optional.”

## 1. THE \_\_\_\_\_

A. A Distracted \_\_\_\_\_

## MARTHA WAS GRACIOUS

*“Then Jesus six days before the Passover came to Bethany, where Lazarus was which had been dead, whom he raised from the dead. 2 There they made him a supper; and Martha served: but Lazarus was one of them that sat at the table with him. 3 Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped his feet with*



*her hair: and the house was filled with the odour of the ointment.” (John 12:1-3)*

#### MARTHA WAS STRESSED

*“To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. 7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;” (Ephesians 1:6-7)*

**Quote:** “We have become so engrossed in the work of the Lord that we have forgotten the Lord of the work.” – **A.W. Tozer**

#### B. A Devoted \_\_\_\_\_

##### MARY FOCUSED ON JESUS

*“And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.” (Matthew 4:14)*

##### MARY WAS TRANSFORMED THROUGH THE WORD

*“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. 17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.” (Colossians 3:16-17)*

#### 2. A \_\_\_\_\_

*“For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure. 14 Do all things without murmurings and disputings:” (Philippians 2:13-14)*

*“Great peace have they which love thy law: And nothing shall offend them.” (Psalm 119:165)*

#### A. A Improper \_\_\_\_\_

##### MARTHA ACCUSES JESUS

*“I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble; thou hast known my soul in adversities;” (Psalm 31:7)*

*“The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.” (Psalm 103:8)*

##### MARTHA COMPLAINS TO JESUS

*“For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.” (Isaiah 55:9)*

#### B. An Inappropriate \_\_\_\_\_

*“And one of the company said unto him, Master, speak to my brother, that he divide the inheritance with me. 14 And he said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you? 15 And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man’s life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.” (Luke 12:13-15)*

#### 3. A \_\_\_\_\_

#### A. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Martha

##### HIS CALL

##### HIS IDENTITY OF HER PROBLEM

*“Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.” (Philippians 4:6)*

*“Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass. 8 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.” (Psalm 37:7-8)*

#### B. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Mary