Unlikely Heroes Mary Magdelene Revealed Luke 8:1-3

The Bible Doesn't Neglect the importance & influence of WOMEN of Faith.

Mary Magdalene IS a <u>Shining Example</u> of what the Lord Jesus Christ <u>Does</u> in the lives of those who <u>Follow</u> Him.

WHO was THIS Mary Magdalene?

1. MARY WAS INWARDLY INFLUENCED BY SATAN.

- Without Christ, she was under the Power of Satan & Sin.
- Without Christ, we too are "Under Sin's Power." (Romans 7:14-25)
- If you've been "Inwardly Influenced" by Satan & Sin, you don't have to Remain that way.

2. MARY WAS *DIVINELY <u>DELIVERED</u>* BY CHRIST.

- Mary's situation was Hopeless...there was Nothing MAN could do. (Psalm 108:12)
- The More Extreme your Crisis, the more Opportunity God has to Be Glorified.
- When Mary Came to Christ she had to Come just as she Was...
- ONLY through Faith in the <u>Finished Work</u> of Jesus can you be <u>Delivered</u> from your "body of death."

3. MARY BECAME A *FERVENT FOLLOWER* OF CHRIST.

- Out of <u>Gratitude</u>, Mary Magdalene Gave her <u>ALL</u> to Christ. (Luke 7:47)
- HOW do YOU Show your Gratitude to Jesus? (Proverbs 3:9)
- Mary Magdalene & other women who Fervently Followed Jesus <u>Provided</u> for the Needs of His Ministry.
- ONLY the Fervent Followers <u>Remained</u> at the Cross...

4. MARY BECAME A WORKING WITNESS FOR CHRIST.

- Mary was the *First Eye-Witness* to the *Empty Tomb!* (*Mark 16:1-6*)
- Mary was the First Eye-Witness to the Resurrected Jesus! (Matthew 28:9-10)
- Mary was the *First TO Witness TO the Disciples!* (Mark 16:9-11)
- Mary became a <u>Preacher</u> to <u>Preachers</u>!
- Is anyone "BEYOND the Redemption of God?"
- GOD is far More Concerned with your FUTURE than He is with your PAST.