

UNDER AUTHORITY: And He Created Them, Male and Female

LUKE 8:1-3

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In the Kingdom of God, Men and Women serve together to expand the kingdom to the ends of the earth.

- I. The Scope of Jesus' Ministry (v. 1a)

- II. The Content of Jesus' Ministry (v. 1b)

- III. The Servants in Jesus' Ministry (v. 2-3)

- IV. A Theological Vision for Women in the Church

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Soon afterward he went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. And the twelve were with him, 2 and also some women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, 3 and Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod's household manager, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them[a] out of their means.

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APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. What are some examples of women that have been models of godliness in your Christian life? Share how they impacted your faith in Christ.
2. Christ says in Matthew 11:28-30 that he is gentle and lowly at heart. Do you believe that Jesus is approachable with your sins and struggles as the women in the Pharisee's house demonstrated? What prevents you from approaching Christ in prayer and supplication?
3. We learn that Jesus visited 204 towns and villages during this ministry. What is your reaction to the scope of Jesus' ministry?
4. How should we be impacted by the truth that Jesus preached only about the Kingdom of God? Should it affect what you share on social media? How can you be more purposeful sharing truths of the gospel with others through social media?
5. How can you like these women, who followed Christ Jesus, provide your own resources and gifts for the sake of Christ's Kingdom? What are you holding back from Christ? Do you believe Christ Jesus is worthy of your offerings?

Quote for the Week. . . by Kathleen Nielson



"Women's ministry shouldn't separate women from the rest of the congregation. In fact, it shouldn't aim for the good of women along but for the good of the whole church. As women encourage each other in Christ through his word, they become increasingly godly, prayerful connectors with others in the body – family members, those needing physical or spiritual help, children, and church leaders."