

Parable of the Two Debtors

Luke 7:36-50



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Simon's dinner party (feast)

- ✓ Simon was a wealthy Pharisee
- ✓ Jesus was Simon's special guest
 - ◆ Jesus was hailed as a prophet (Luke 7:16)
 - ◆ Simon wanted to know more about Him



Luke
7:22

Matt.
11:28-30

Luke 7:36

- ✓ An uninvited "sinful" woman attended
 - ◆ She was a well-known "sinner"
 - ◆ She wept tears on Jesus' feet
 - ◆ She wiped His feet with her hair
 - ◆ She anointed Jesus' feet with perfume



Luke 7:37-38

Simon's wrong assumptions:

- 1) Jesus is no prophet**
- 2) Jesus doesn't know this woman is such a sinner**

**Jesus tells a parable
to correct Simon's thinking**



Luke 7:39-42

Both unable to pay their debts

Big debtor

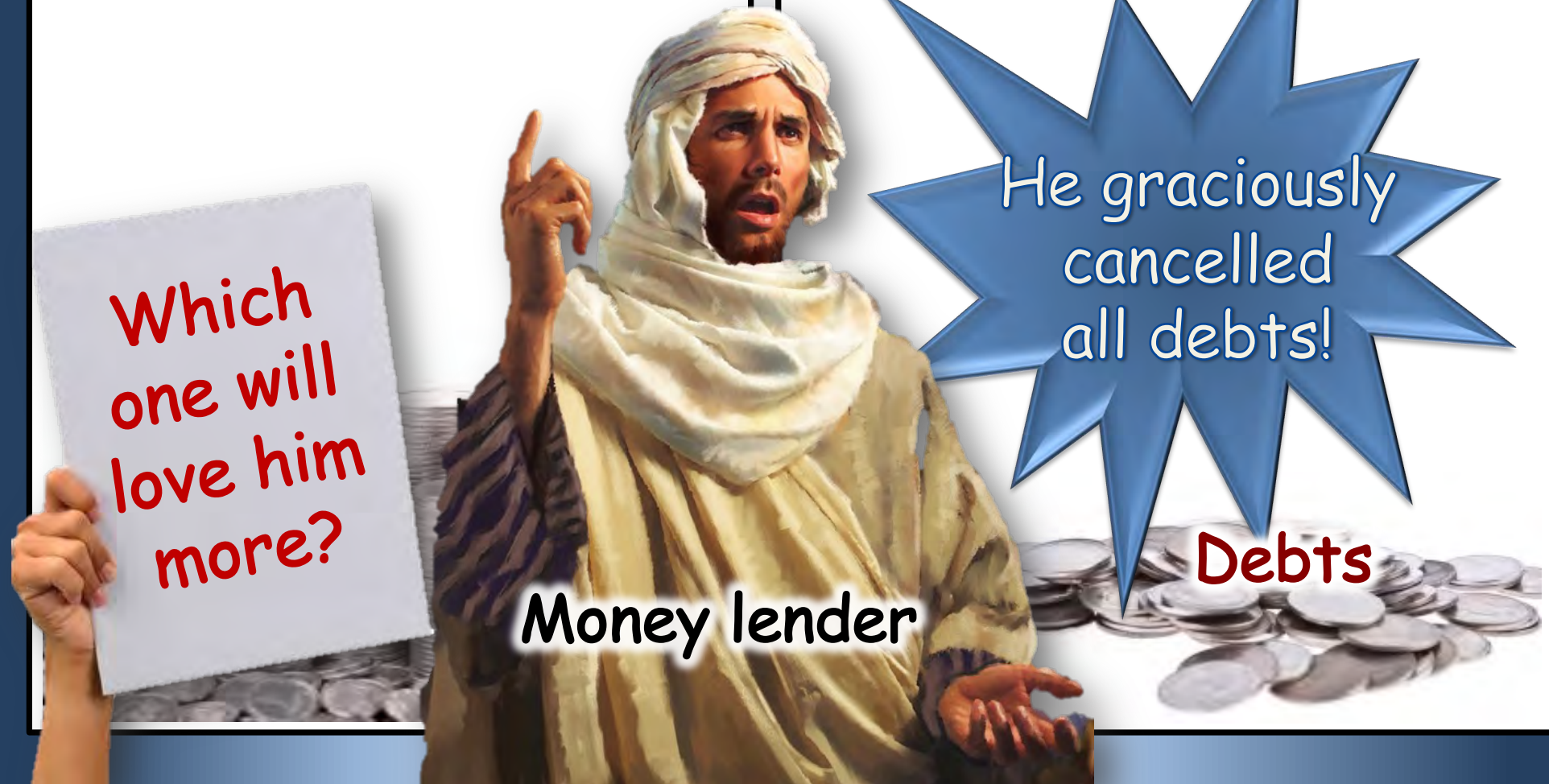
Little debtor

Which one will love him more?

He graciously cancelled all debts!

Money lender

Debts



Both unable to pay their debts

Big debtor

Little debtor



Debts
Sins

Money lender

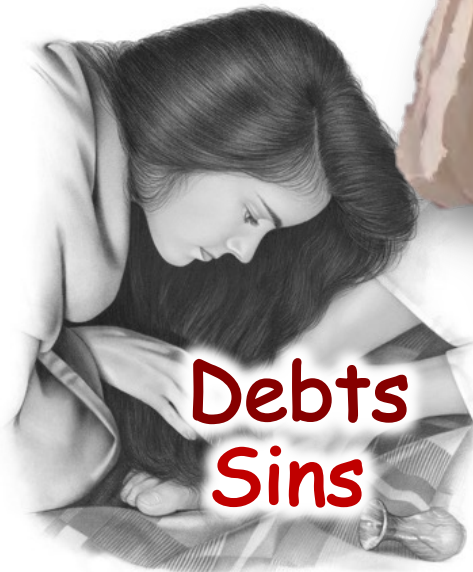
God/Jesus

Debts
Sins

Both unable to pay their debts
Inability to save self (Isaiah 64:6)

Big debtor
Big sinner

Little debtor
Little sinner



Debts
Sins



Money lender
God/Jesus



Debts
Sins

Much Love

- ✓ Washed with tears
- ✓ Kissed His feet
- ✓ Anointed feet with perfume

No Love

- ✓ No water for washing
- ✓ No kiss
- ✓ No anointing with oil



Love
demonstrates
faith

Not
forgiven?

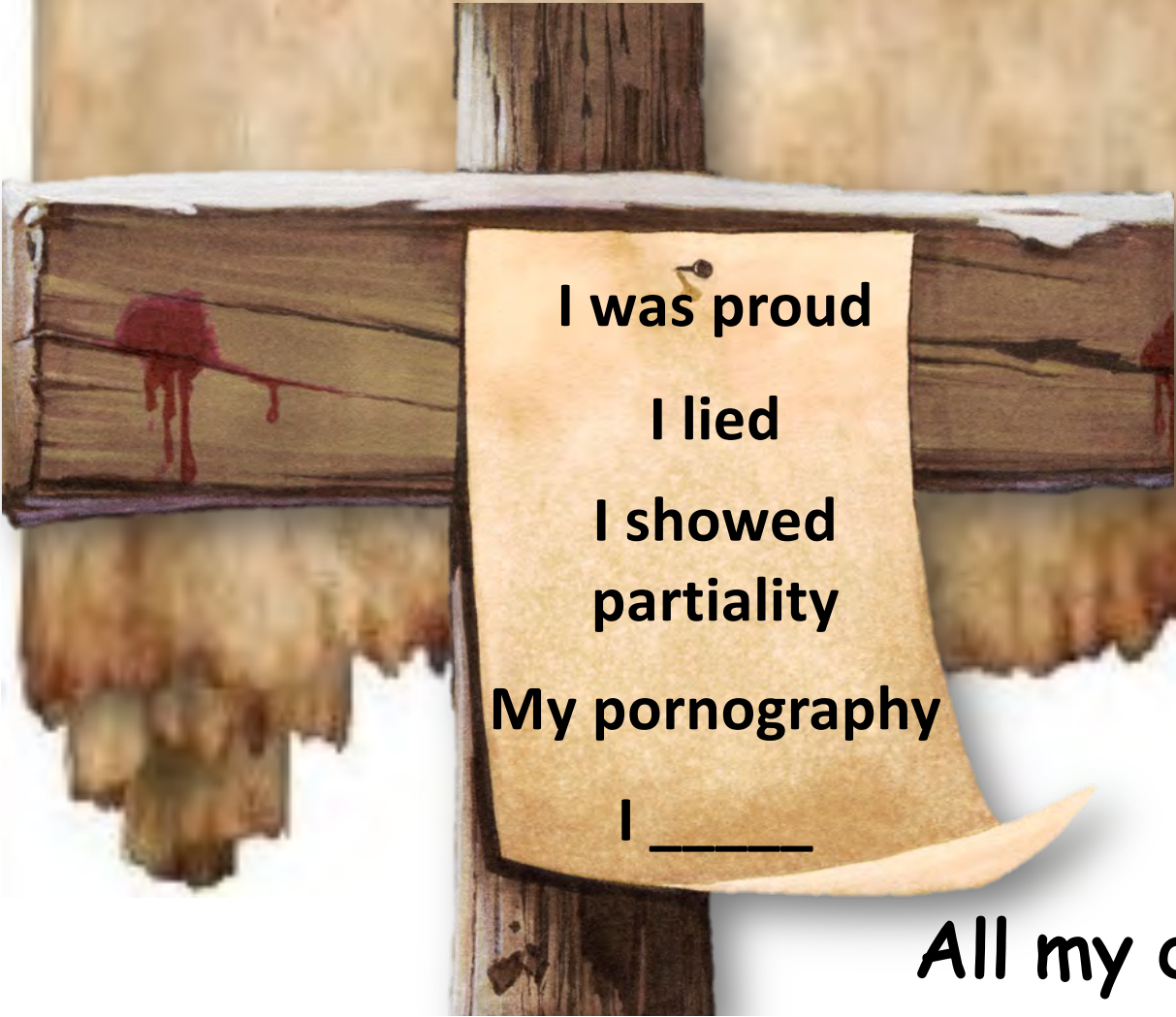


Jesus assures the woman:

- ✓ Your many sins are forgiven ("sent away")
- ✓ Your faith has saved you
- ✓ Go in peace

Luke 7:48-50

**"Who is this who even
forgives sins?"**



I was proud
I lied
**I showed
partiality**
My pornography
I _____



Col. 2:14

All my debts were paid!

WHO ARE YOU IN THIS PARABLE?



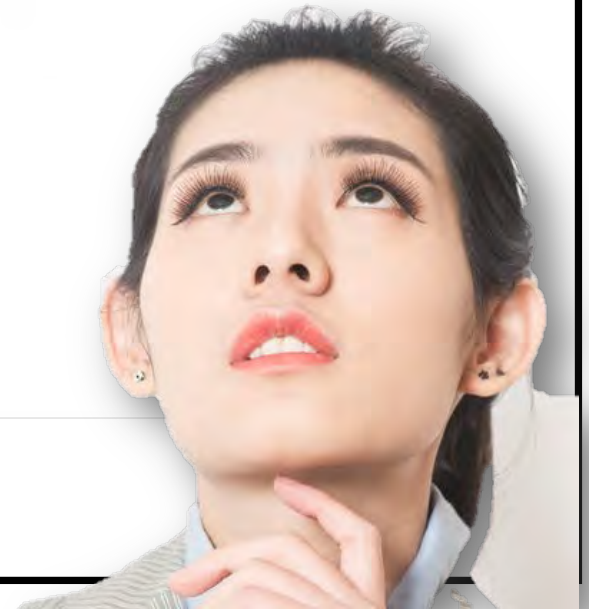
Lavish
lover?

Stingy
lover?



1. Jesus shows He's more than a prophet;
He is God, with the power to forgive sins!
2. Divine forgiveness transforms your life!
(Forgiveness = your sins are "sent away")
3. Your demonstration of love for Jesus will
be proportional to your understanding of
forgiveness.

**WHAT DO WE
LEARN?**

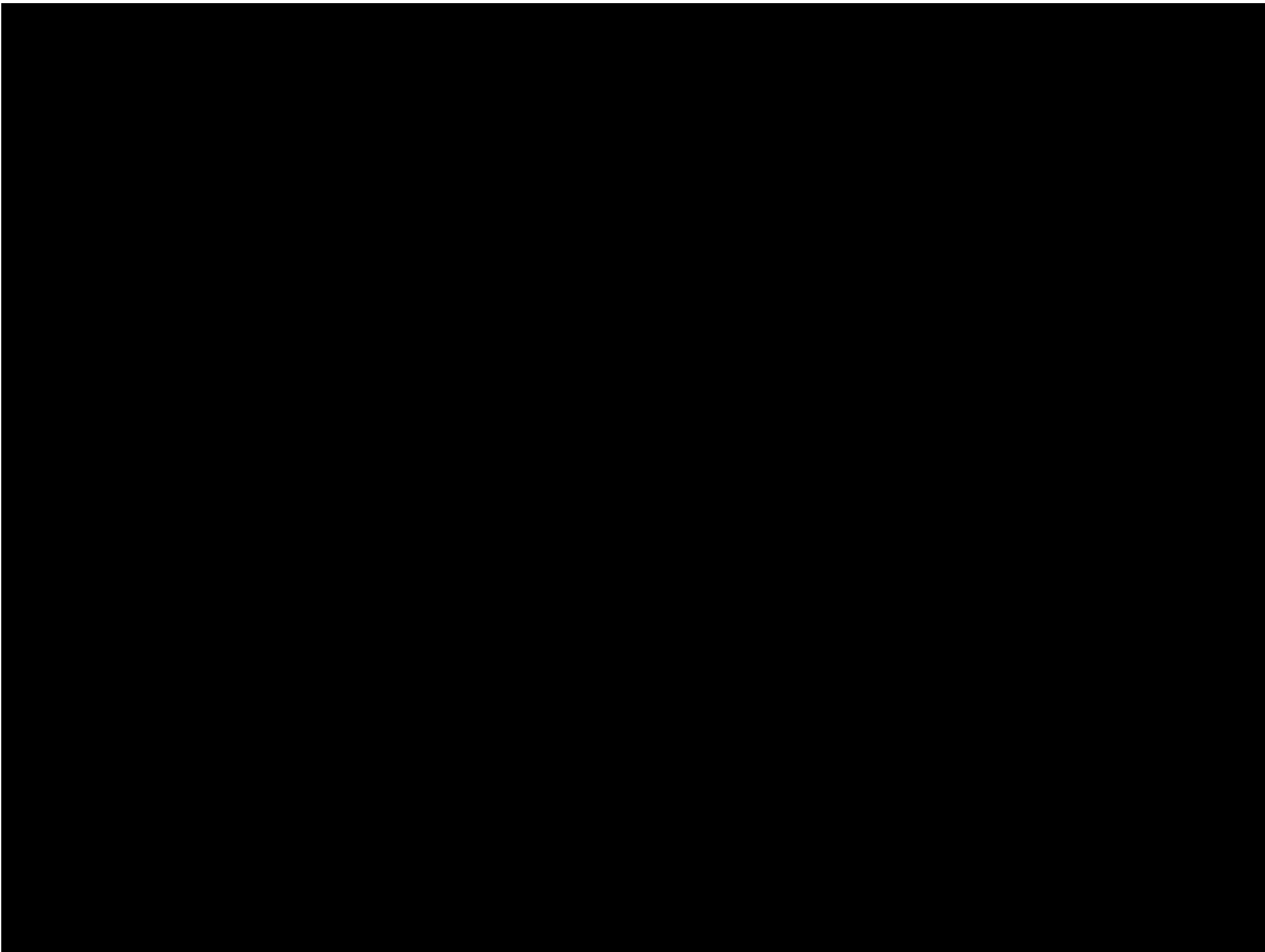


4. What are some ways to show our love (agape) to Jesus for His forgiveness?

- ◆ John 13:34-35 → Love is my distinctive
- ◆ John 14:15 → I obey His commandments
- ◆ Matt. 5:44 → I love my enemies
- ◆ Rom. 12:9-13 → I love without hypocrisy
- ◆ 2 Cor. 5:14 → Love controls me
- ◆ Matt. 6:9-15 → I forgive others

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