

## **MARTHA AND MARY**

**Luke 10:38-42**

**Key Verses: 10:41,42**

**""Martha, Martha,' the Lord answered, 'you are worried and upset about many things, but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her.'"**

### **Study Questions:**

1. Where were Jesus and his disciples going? Why? (Jn 1:29) Review his earthly Messianic ministry, especially events which reveal the compassion of God (Jn 1:14). Which event moves your heart most?
2. Where was the village of Martha and Mary? (Jn 11:1,18) What do you know about this family? How does the event in John 11 reveal the spiritual needs of Martha and Mary? (Jn 11:21,25-26,39)
3. Think about Mary. While Martha was making preparations to serve the guests, what was Mary doing? When Martha complained, how did Jesus defend Mary? Why did Jesus give first priority to one-to-one Bible study in that crowded, busy house? Why did he call Mary's choice "better"?
4. Think about Martha. Read verses 38 and 40 again. From Martha's point of view, why was her complaint reasonable? How did Jesus answer? From Jesus' point of view, what was Martha's problem? Why didn't she know that Bible study with Jesus was an urgent matter?