

STORY 4: RELATIONSHIP

Jesus and his followers travelled a lot throughout Israel during his three years of ministry, and they met a lot of people.

On one occasion, they came into a village where a woman named Martha welcomed them into her home.

Martha had a sister, named Mary, who sat down in front of Jesus so she could listen to him and learn from him.

While Mary sat and listened, Martha was pulled away and distracted by all the work she had to do in the kitchen.

Later, she came in and interrupted them. She said, "Master, don't you care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her to come and help me!"

Jesus answered her, "Martha, Martha! You are so worried and upset about all these things, but only one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen what is better and it will not be taken away from her."

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- **review:** re-tell the story

- **dialogue:** discuss the story
 - What do you like or not like about this story?

 - What can we learn about how to relate to God from this story?

 - In Psalm 16:8, David says that he “set the Lord continually before me.” What do you think that means and how does it relate to the story?

 - What can we learn about God from this story?

- **application:** live the story
 - Why don't we always seek to simply sit with Jesus? What keeps us from him?

 - If we were to continually walk with God in relationship, what would our lives look like?

 - What is one action you can take to apply this story to your life?

- **notes:**