

## **“My Child, you are weeping at My feet...”**

***“Where have you put him?” he asked them. They told him, “Lord, come and see.” Then Jesus wept. The people who were standing nearby said, “See how much he loved him!” (John 11:34-36)***

Jesus had a very special bond with Mary, Martha, and Lazarus; they weren't just casual acquaintances. We can catch a glimpse of His nature by observing the way He became intimately involved in their lives. Nothing has changed; Jesus still has a yearning to be close to His people today. In fact, we see into the heart of Jesus through the two most powerful words in the entire Bible, found in *John 11:35*: **“Jesus wept.”**

I don't believe He was weeping for Lazarus, but rather for Mary and Martha. He loved them so much that He shed tears of empathy. His heart ached because of their deep sorrow. I genuinely believe that every tear you shed also runs down the cheek of Jesus! He weeps today when you drown in the depths of grief. **He says, “Oh, how I love you, My dear one! I want to hold you in my arms and whisper that everything will be okay.”** Can you feel the heartbeat of Daddy God in you? He loves you that much! You are that special to Him. Even the hairs on your head are numbered. You are that precious! I love my own children more than life itself, but I can't tell you how many hairs are on their heads. Jesus can!

Not only does He love us as much as we love our children, but He loves us more than any earthly father ever could because **He doesn't just show love, He is love.** Everything that love is, God is. When He looks at His children, He looks with a heart filled with love and tender compassion. He weeps over the things that so deeply affect His children and sends His Holy Spirit to comfort them.

Dear friend, if you're in pain right now, the most powerful medicine for you is the knowledge that Jesus cares for you in your struggle and He weeps with you! He loves you. You have a purpose and a destiny, and you can be encouraged by the knowledge that He has not forgotten you. He will answer when you call on His name in faith!

Grab hold of the following Scriptures, meditate on them, and allow them to minister to your pain:

**“The Lord is close to the brokenhearted; he rescues those whose spirits are crushed.” (Psalm 34:18)**

**“He heals the brokenhearted and bandages their wounds (Psalm 147:3)**

There is no wound so great that He cannot heal it; He will put the broken pieces of your life back together again and make you a vessel of honor. You will be better than before. I once heard someone say, **“I’m a mess, Lord, but I’m your mess!”** He will always show Himself incredibly faithful, but because He draws near to the brokenhearted, He is closest when tragedy strikes. So, run into His loving embrace and let His comfort meet your needs. He’s waiting . . .

I want you to know, precious friend, that Jesus collects all our tears, but not all tears are sad tears. Some tears simply express deep emotion. Let’s look a little deeper at this.

**“And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee’s house, brought an alabaster box of ointment, and stood at his feet behind him weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment.” (Luke 7:37-38)**

Once when I was praying, I felt an overwhelming desire to kneel before Him. As I did so, the Holy Spirit came and I couldn’t stop weeping no matter how much I tried. I just lay on the floor as His love and tenderness swept over me in waves. Those tears were not from sadness; I was deeply touched by His great love and I responded with seemingly endless tears. I was very still for a long time, just basking in His manifest presence when suddenly the Lord spoke to my spirit, **“Steve, you’re weeping at my feet.”** I had the inner sense that He was standing in front of me and I became keenly aware that He was to my right; I was weeping at His feet. That revelation kept me on the floor for many hours, transforming me from the inside out, giving me a revelation I would never forget.

The Sweet Master Jesus came and received my tears as a beautiful offering. Our Lord loves our tears. Just like the woman in *Luke 7*, we anoint Him with our love when we weep at His feet, adoring Him with our whole being. How can we not become transformed in His presence?

Mary was always at His feet. She loved to love Him. She anointed Him with her tears and our Lord loved her back. She got the attention of Father, and because of her deep devotion, she went down in history as a great lover of God!

**“She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet listening to what he said.” (Luke 10:39)**

**“When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, ‘Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.’” (John 11:32)**

**“Then Mary took about a pint of pure spikenard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus’ feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.” (John 12:3)**

So regardless of whether your tears are the result of sorrow or a heart full of adoration, run into His loving embrace and let His comfort and love meet you where you are. He’s waiting . . .

**Pray with me dear one:**

*Beloved Lord, You care for me in my struggles and You weep when I weep! Thank You for your deep compassion that changes everything. I thank You for giving me a purpose and a destiny, and that You have not forgotten me. Come and collect all my tears, whether adoring or sad. Help me to lie at Your feet each day and anoint them with my love! You hold every tear I shed dear. Use each moment to transform me into Your image as I worship and adore You. Let me minister to You. Lift me to higher realms of understanding. Sweet Lover of my soul, draw me ever closer.*

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