

Women and Children

Explanation

During his ministry Jesus interacted often with women and children, and in his teachings he often addressed them. Charts 9-12 and 9-13 show twenty-eight instances and many statements reflecting his concerns for women, widows, mothers, mothers-in-law, and friends who were dear to him. Charts 9-14 and 9-15 demonstrate eight episodes and many expressions of his love for and interest in the children of world who model humility and goodness. Modern readers should not overlook these unusually sensitive manifestations of the Savior's love.

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Jesus' Interactions with Women

After searching for him, Mary finds her young son Jesus teaching in the temple	Lk 2:48
Jesus' mother Mary asks him to turn water to wine at the wedding in Cana	Jn 2:3-5
Jesus goes to Capernaum with his mother	Jn 2:12
Jesus heals Peter's mother-in-law	Mt 8:14-15; Mk 1:29-31; Lk 4:38-39
Jesus talks to the Samaritan woman at the well	Jn 4:6-28
Jesus raises a widow's son at Nain after walking much of the night from Capernaum	Lk 7:11-17
A woman touches Jesus' robe and is healed; he commends her faith	Mt 9:20-22; Mk 5:25-34; Lk 8:43-48
Jesus forgives a sinful woman	Lk 7:36-50
Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Susanna, and many other women minister to Jesus	Lk 8:2-3
Jesus' mother and brothers desire to speak with him	Mt 12:46-50; Mk 3:31-35; Lk 8:19-21
On two occasions, women are among the thousands fed with a few loaves and fishes	Mt 14:21; 15:38
Jesus heals the Syrophenician woman's daughter	Mt 15:21-28; Mk 7:24-30
Jesus does not accuse the woman taken in adultery	Jn 8:3-11
Jesus visits Mary and Martha	Lk 10:38-42
Jesus visits Mary and Martha and raises their brother Lazarus from the dead	Jn 11:1-46

A woman in a crowd blesses Jesus' mother	Lk 11:27–28
Jesus heals a crippled woman on the Sabbath	Lk 13:10–17
Jesus talks to the mother of James and John	Mt 20:20–23
Jesus witnesses a widow give her only mites to the treasury; he praises her generosity	Mk 12:41–44; Lk 21:1–4
A woman anoints Jesus with oil and Jesus defends her actions to the disciples	Mt 26:6–13; Mk 14:3–9
Mary of Bethany anoints Jesus with oil	Jn 12:1–8
Women follow Jesus to his crucifixion and weep; he tells them to weep for themselves and their children	Lk 23:27–30
Women who followed Jesus from Galilee view his crucifixion from afar	Mt 27:55; Mk 15:40; Lk 23:49; Jn 19:25
Jesus entrusts his mother's care to John	Jn 19:26–27
Mary Magdalene and Mary mark where Jesus was laid in the sepulchre so that they can return after the Sabbath to complete burial procedures	Mt 27:61; Mk 15:47; Lk 23:55
Women tend to Jesus' body	Lk 23:56
Mary Magdalene and Mary visit the sepulchre after Jesus' resurrection	Mt 28:1–8; Mk 16:1–8; Lk 24:1–10
The resurrected Jesus first appears to Mary Magdalene	Mt 28:9–10; Mk 16:9–11; Jn 20:11–18