

## Weekly Word

Readings for the week of July 17, 2022

Marion Victory

Colossians 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42

Colossians 1:26 tells us the mystery has been revealed to us and verse 27 tells us what that mystery is; Christ in you, the hope of glory!

The gospel this week tells us the story of two servants of Christ.  
Mary and Martha ... sisters.

We hear about them often in sermons and sometimes we are made to think that one is better than the other. But that's far from the truth! They had different gifts, personalities and, I'm guessing, perhaps Martha may have been the older of the two.

Now it happened as they went that He entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into **her** house. (V38)  
Martha was the owner of the house.

In verse 40 we're told that Martha was distracted with much serving. Sounds like she was overwhelmed.

Sometimes in our day to day lives we get so busy with the things that are necessary, especially when we're planning a dinner celebration of some sort. It has to be just right. The food, the place settings, the house ... oh my!

Martha wanted everything to be just right for her LORD.  
He just wanted her presence.

"Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me."

Jesus answers her in such loving words, I don't believe it was a rebuke but a reminder. Jesus could see that Martha was working hard. Listen to His response;

“Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her.”

Both of these women are a testimony to our servanthood.

I love how Deacon Bruce put it in his message in his reference to “Waiting on the LORD!”

Martha was **waiting as a servant.**

Mary was **waiting as a student.**

Both are needed!

Colossians 1:18 And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.