

## AN OUTPOURING FROM THE HEART

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*Based on Luke 7 vv 36-50. The story of the Sinful Woman who anointed Jesus' feet at the house of a Pharisee.*

### CAST

*Narrator 1 Probably better to be a man.*

*Narrator 2 Probably better to be a woman*

*Pharisee*

*Sinful Woman*

*Jesus*

*The two narrators recount the story while the other actors act it out. There could be scope for other characters (eg members of society, other guests, servants etc) if other actors are available.*

Narrator 1 This is the story of a man..

Narrator 2 .. and a woman.

Narr 1 The man was a Pharisee - a keeper of the law.

Narr 2 The woman earned her living on the streets – a sinful woman.

Narr 1 The man was well respected in society.

Narr 2 The woman was looked down and, and shunned by society.

Narr 1 The man was wealthy.

Narr 2 The woman was poor.

Narr 1 The man lived in a comfortable home.

Narr 2 The woman lived in squalor.

Narr 1 The man had plenty of food for himself and for his family.

Narr 2 The woman had barely enough food to feed herself.

Narr 1 The man invited Jesus to dine at his home.

- Narr 2      The woman was too ashamed even to talk to Jesus.
- Narr 1      The man offered Jesus lavish hospitality.
- Narr 2      The woman had nothing to offer Jesus except a jar of perfume.
- Narr 1      The man invited Jesus to recline with him at his dinner table.
- Narr 2      The woman knelt at Jesus' feet.
- Narr 1      The man thought Jesus to be an unimpressive prophet.
- Narr 2      The woman wept tears of shame over Jesus' feet.
- Narr 1      The man, in his heart, poured scorn on Jesus.
- Narr 2      The woman broke her jar of perfume and poured it on Jesus' feet.
- Narr 1      The man thought himself better than the woman.
- Narr 2      The woman thought herself worse than any person alive.
- Narr 1      The man expected Jesus to kick away this sinful woman.
- Narr 2      The woman hoped Jesus would wipe away her tears of shame.
- Narr 1      The man was too proud to recognise who Jesus was.
- Narr 2      The woman received forgiveness from the King of Kings and Lord of Lords; Jesus her saviour.
- Narr 1      The man received nothing.

*THE END*