

### Connecting Together

1. When people think about church, do you think they expect it to feel more like Simon's house or like the welcoming heart of Jesus? Why?

### Connecting to the Passage

Read: **Luke 7:36–50**

1. What stands out to you most in this story? What details do you notice that you may not have noticed before?
2. How would you describe the difference between Simon's attitude toward Jesus and the woman's response to Jesus?
3. Jesus tells the story of two debts that were forgiven (**vv. 41–43**). What was Jesus trying to help Simon understand about grace?
4. Why do you think the woman's awareness of her sin led to such deep love and worship toward Jesus?
5. What do Jesus' words and actions in this story reveal about the kind of King He is?

### Connecting to Application

1. In what ways can people today fall into the same mindset as Simon the Pharisee?
2. The message used the image of two chairs: pride and humility. Which chair do you think people most naturally drift toward? Why?
3. How does remembering the grace and forgiveness we have received from Jesus shape the way we worship Him and treat others?
4. How can we as a church reflect the welcoming heart of Jesus to people who feel like they do not belong?

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Current Series



# UNEXPECTED KING

# WELCOME

March 22, 2026



## WORSHIP ORDER

- THIS IS AMAZING GRACE
- WELCOME
- GREETING
- HE LIVES
- OFFERING
- DEFENDER
- POUR MY OIL
- MESSAGE
- COME TO THE TABLE
- SEND OFF AND PRAYER

 **NORTHAMPTON**  
BIBLE CHURCH

Love God | Love People | Make Disciples

# UPCOMING

## SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER

### **In the Café at 8:30**

Plan to come If you would like to take part in praying for Sunday mornings and each other.

## PRAYER CHAIN

Please contact Marcia Peters at [care@nbchurchcf.org](mailto:care@nbchurchcf.org) if interested in joining Northampton's prayer chain. If you have prayer request needs, please email them to [care@nbchurchcf.org](mailto:care@nbchurchcf.org); if you don't email, [nbchurchcf.org/prayer](mailto:nbchurchcf.org/prayer).

## CARE MINISTRY

If you, or someone you know, has a need for prayer, meals, or other assistance, please fill out a request card located at the back of the church and drop it in the collection basket or email your request to [care@nbchurchcf.org](mailto:care@nbchurchcf.org).

## SOUND & TECH TEAM

### **Help is needed to build our team -**

running lyric slides, supporting the worship team on the sound board, or working with cameras and lighting. We will train you. If interested, please reach out to Dawn Souza in person or by email at [dsouza@nbchurchcf.org](mailto:dsouza@nbchurchcf.org).

## DISCOVER NORTH - TODAY!

Following the morning service.

## STUDENT MINISTRY

### PARENTS MEETING

Parents of students in Grades 5–12 are invited to join us **Sunday, March 29** after the morning service. Lunch will be provided for parents and students.

Info: [jsouza@nbchurchcf.org](mailto:jsouza@nbchurchcf.org)

## GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

**6:00pm** - Mark your calendars to join us for an immersive encounter. Please see today's postcard insert for details.

## EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST

**9:30am – Seats Are limited.**

Please **register in the Church Center App** to reserve a seat.

## BAPTISM / PARTNERSHIP

**11:00am - Easter Sunday**

If you are interested in Baptism and/or Partnership at Northampton, **please fill out the form in the Church Center App.**

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

First Saturday of each month from 9am-10am in the Café. Facilitated by Cindy Worrone and Danielle Cordes.

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

**Saturday, April 11, 8:00.**

Please sign up in the **Church Center App**.

## READY TO TAKE YOUR NEXT STEP AT NORTHAMPTON?

Join our **Partnership Class on April 12, from 9:00–10:30am** to learn who we are, what we believe, and how you can be part of the mission. **Register today in the Church Center App.**

# MESSAGE NOTES

Pastor Joe Pryor

*Jesus is the King who welcomes sinners and honors humble hearts.*

## **Luke 7:36-50**

### **Two things become clear from this account:**

1. Religion can sit close to Jesus and still miss His

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2. \_\_\_\_\_ flows to the people who know they need it

**Which chair best represents your heart right now: pride or humility? What step could you take this week to move toward humility and grace?**

**Who in your life might feel like they do not belong? How could you reflect the welcoming heart of Jesus toward them this week?**



Check out classes and next steps: [www.nbchurchcf.org/nextsteps/](http://www.nbchurchcf.org/nextsteps/)



Next week: **Unexpected King**

*The King Who Saves the Lost | Luke 19*