31 – Luke 10:38-42 – What matters most?

Everyone is busy!

On their way

Luke 10:38

Luke 9:51 ... set out for Jerusalem.

Arrive in Jerusalem Luke 19:28.

... a sense of urgency

Luke 12:31 ... seek first the kingdom of God.

So what happens?

verse 39 ... Mary is sitting at the feet of Jesus intend on learning from the lips of Jesus.

verse 40 ... Martha was distracted by all the preparations she wanted to do.

Jesus rebukes Martha very tenderly and gently.

... Mary is doing what is best.

The difference between Martha and Mary

Not about different personality types

But a difference of priorities.

(v 40) "all the preparations she thought had to be made".

Did Martha listen?

John 11.

..."Lord, if you had been here my brother would not have died. But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask".

See v 23-27

... Martha still serves people supper at a dinner

For us today?

- 1) Do not misunderstand
- ... the monastic life?
- ... Mary and Martha into different personality types.
- ... do not need to help at home because they are studying the bible...

2) Life choices and following Jesus

Having a life shaped by what the word of God says is clearly what is best to pursue in life.

... are your choices in life distracting you from hearing and heeding God's word?

3) What about eating a sumptuous feast?

4) One very last thing