

Broke Her Heart All in Pieces

by Thomas Brooks

The love of God and Christ breaks our hearts and leads us to repentance and worship.

Scripture: Psalm 51:17, Isaiah 53:5, Matthew 11:28-30, Luke 7:38, John 3:16, Romans 5:8, 2 Corinthians 7:10, Ephesians 2:4-5, 1 Peter 2:24, 1 John 4:19

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Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes that a deeper understanding of God's love leads to greater sorrow for sin, as seen in the example of Mary Magdalene, whose heart was broken by the realization of her forgiveness. He illustrates that the warmth of divine love softens the heart, prompting genuine grief for offenses against God. The more one experiences the love of Christ, the more one mourns for the dishonor done to Him, highlighting the transformative power of grace and forgiveness.

Transcript

The more a man apprehends of the love of God, and of the love of Christ--the more that person will grieve and mourn that he has offended, provoked, and grieved such a Father, and such a Son. The more clear and certain evidences a man has of the love and favor of God to his soul, the more that man will grieve and mourn for sinning against such a God.

There is nothing which thaws and melts the heart, which softens and breaks the heart--like the warm beams of divine love--as you may see in the case of Mary Magdalene. She loved much, and she wept much--for much was forgiven her.

A sight of the free grace and love of Christ towards her, in an act of forgiveness, broke her heart all in pieces. A man

cannot stand under the shinings of divine love with a frozen heart, nor with dry eyes. The more a man sees of the love of Christ, and the more a man tastes and enjoys of the love of Christ--the more that man will grieve and mourn for all the dishonors that he has done to Christ.

"Then she knelt behind Him at his feet, weeping. Her tears fell on His feet, and she wiped them off with her hair. Then she kept kissing His feet and putting perfume on them."

Luke 7:38

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