

## **\*Check-in and Prayer**

\*From the Big 5 Personality, what was your highest and lowest score? How do you see those in your life?

## **Topic Introduction**

This series is about understanding how God's redemptive hand is at work in your personality.

- Encourage Group Members to take a big 5 personality if they have not done so yet:
  - Free: <https://bigfive-test.com/>
  - \$10: [understandmyself.com](http://understandmyself.com)

## **Read Text ~10min (Luke 10:38-42)**

- **Read Together:** Luke 10:38-42
- **Read Alone:** Underline or mark: questions, contrasts, repetition, commands, topic changes, ooh/ahh moments, other verses come to mind?
- **Personal Paraphrase:** Have a volunteer *paraphrase* the story from what they remember after reading (without looking at the text!). Repetition is the goal, after going through the story 3 times, we are ready to analyze/interpret it.

## **Content Questions**

- Which of the Big 5 Personality traits can you clearly see in Martha from the text as being high, low, or middle/average (Openness, Conscientiousness, Extraversion, Agreeableness, Neuroticism)?
- What strengths do you see in Martha's personality? How did she use them?
- Did you see any shadow side/dark side/blind spots to how she used her strengths?
- What do you see as some of the weaknesses in her personality? How might God redeem them in time?
- What did Martha get wrong? How can we fall into the same trap?
- What do you learn about the character of God through the way Jesus responds to Martha?

## **Application & Prayer**

### **Homework from last Week:**

**Last week:** *Everyone was encouraged to find one strength and one weakness or shadow side of a strength in their personality.*

How could you focus your strength to join Jesus in transforming lives? How might God be calling you to lean into this strength?

What is one weakness or shadow side of a strength? In ways did Jesus live differently to this weakness or shadow side? How do you think God wants to further redeem this area of life? How can this community support you in bringing this daily to God?

**Pray together:** In group of 2-4 or men and women on focusing one another's strength for God's kingdom and surrendering the weakness to God's ongoing redemption.