All through the New Testament Jesus, the God-made-man, broke the man-made-rules of His culture to set women free. Not only did He accept women as they were, but He also challenged them to become more. Here are just a few of the ways Jesus honored women.
1. He delivered Mary Magdalene from seven demons.  
   Luke 8:2

2. He invited women to join his ministry team.  
   Luke 8:1-3

3. He touched the unclean woman with the flow of blood.  
   Mark 5:27-34

4. He referred to the woman with the flow of blood as “daughter.”  
   Mark 5:34

5. He stopped what he was doing to raise a little girl from the dead.  
   Mark 5:22-24, 35-42

6. He referred to women as daughters of Abraham.  
   Luke 13:16

7. He stopped what he was doing to minister to the widow of Nain.  
   Luke 7:12-13

8. He welcomed Mary into the classroom previously reversed for men.  
   Luke 10:39

9. He defended Mary of Bethany’s gesture when anointing his feet with perfume.  
   John 12:3-6, Matthew 26:13

10. He encouraged Martha to choose sitting at his feet over stirring up trouble.  
    Luke 10:40-42

11. He gave Martha a private tutoring lesson by teaching her that He was the resurrection and the life.  

12. He had his longest recorded conversation in the Bible with the Samaritan woman by the well.  
    John 4:5-26

13. He revealed his true identity as the Christ for the first time to the five-time divorcee.  
    John 4:21-26

14. He applauded the Samaritan woman’s enthusiasm to evangelize her hometown.  
    John 4:27-39
15. He refused to shame the woman caught in adultery but forgave her sins.  
**John 8:1-11**

16. He welcomed the sinful woman’s worship as she washed his feet with her tears.  
**Luke 7:36-48**

17. He called the woman with the crippled back from the shadows to receive her healing.  
**Luke 13:10-16**

18. He commended the Syrophoenician mother’s faith.  
**Matthew 15:22-28**

19. He asked John to take care of his mother while he was dying on the cross.  
**Luke 19:25-27**

20. He taught on hillsides and by rivers where women gathered.  
**Matthew 14:13-21**

21. He commended the widow for her small offering and pointed her out as an example of true giving.  
**Mark 12:41-44**

22. He referred to women in his parables.  

23. He healed women of various diseases.  

24. He taught on the women’s level of Herod’s temple where the women could enter.  
**Mark 12:41-44**

25. He commissioned Mary Magdalene to go and tell the most important message in all of human history…Jesus has risen.  
**John 20:17**

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