

**Did You Know?**

***Mary Magdalene was  
never a Prostitute  
(according to the NT record)***

What do we really know about her?

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Mary Magdalene (Hebrew: מרים המגדלית, original Greek: *Μαρία ἡ Μαγδαληνή*), travelled with Jesus as one of his followers.

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Her name means either 'Mary from Magdala', 'Mary the Tower' or 'Tall Mary'.

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There are several Marys in the NT –

- Mary the mother of Jesus;
- Mary of Bethany, sister of Martha and Lazarus;
- Mary the mother of James and Joseph; &
- Mary the wife of Cleopas.

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There are two unnamed women who are expressly identified in the NT as sexual sinners –

- the woman who anointed Jesus' feet with costly perfume, &
- an adulteress who the Pharisees brought before Jesus to see if he would condemn her.

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Mary was one of the most common Hebrew name in NT times. So because someone named Mary was a prostitute doesn't mean that it's referring to Mary Magdalene.

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Ideas that go beyond the gospel presentation of Mary Magdalene as a prominent representative of the women who followed Jesus have been put forward over the centuries but are speculative.

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Speculation hinges on Jesus casting demons out of Mary Magdalene prior to her becoming one of his followers.



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The Gospel of Luke says seven demons had gone out of her [Luke 8:2] and the longer ending of Mark agrees with this [Mark 16:9].

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There's no precedence to believe that when demons were cast out of a person they were spirits of sexual addiction or of sexual immorality.

Why then, in the case of Mary Magdalene, do we imagine that the spirits Jesus cast out were these type?

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So, do the Gospels really support the notion that Mary Magdalene was once a prostitute?

The answer is: “**NO**”.

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**CHURCH**  
**teaching**  
**not based**  
**on fact**

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## Is this proof Jesus married and had two sons? Ancient manuscript said to be 'lost gospel' with a sensational twist

- New book 'The Lost Gospel' claims Mary Magdalene was original Virgin Mary
- It is based on manuscript found in British Library dating back 1,450 years
- Professor Barrie Wilson and writer Simcha Jacobovici translated text
- They claim there was an assassination attempt on Mary's two children
- Church of England has dismissed claims comparing it to Dan Brown's work

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Did Jesus Christ marry Mary Magdalene and have children with her? Surely, you're thinking, that's the kind of sensationalist mumbo-jumbo you find only in the pages of fiction.

In fact, The Da Vinci Code, Dan Brown's 2003 best-selling thriller, was hinged on that very premise: a secret bloodline had sprung from the union between

But not so much, according to a new book, The Lost Gospel, which claims to be unearthened evidence of a manuscript which tells the story of Jesus' marriage to Mary Magdalene, his two children, and his closest followers, who witnessed his crucifixion, burial and the discovery of his empty tomb.

Of course, there have been various



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