## Women in the Bible

## **Three Marys**

- 1. Biblical References to Marys
  - a. Crucifixion & Resurrection Texts
- 2. Mary, the mother of Jesus
  - a. Annunciation
    - i. Virgin Birth and the Immaculate Conception
  - b. Post-Resurrection Accounts
    - i. Whereabouts with John the Apostle
- 3. Mary Magdalene
  - a. References to Mary Magdalene in Bible
    - i. Possessed by Seven Demons (Luke 8:2; Mark 16:9)
    - ii. Seen at the foot of the cross and resurrection account
  - b. Hometown of Magdala
    - i. Near Sea of Galilee; large commerce
  - c. Stories of Mary Magdalene
    - i. Anointing the Feet of Jesus with Perfume
      - 1. Luke 7:36-50; compare with John 12:1-8
    - ii. Caught in Adultery
      - 1. Was Mary a Prostitute?
      - 2. Depictions in Movies
- 4. Mary of Bethany
  - a. Three stories of Mary of Bethany
    - i. Story of Mary & Martha (Luke 10:38-42)
      - 1. Is the hometown really Bethany?
    - ii. Death of brother, Lazarus (John 11:17-36)
      - 1. Close relationship with Jesus
    - iii. Anointing Jesus' Feet (John 12:1-7)
  - b. Connection with Mary Magdalene
    - i. Is Mary Magdalene the same as Mary of Bethany?
    - ii. Change in hometown.
- 5. Story of Redemption
  - a. Pope Gregory the Great's influence