

In Search of Truth: The Bible and Mary Magdalene (S2E1)

“The more I saw in myself, the deeper I went into myself, the deeper I was able to go in the Gospel. It almost felt like the Gospel was showing a wound in the text to me. It felt like a very, almost tender, invitation, saying well, let me show you this. It felt sort of like an invitation saying, can you help?”

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Welcome to *In Search Of*, a podcast where we go in search of voices and perspectives that inform and expand a life of faith. In this episode, [Amy](#) speaks with singer/songwriter-turned-Biblical scholar Elizabeth Schrader Polczer about Mary Magdalene. Listen as Elizabeth tells Amy the story of the encounter in a garden that led her to enroll in seminary, learn Greek, interrogate norms of textual criticism, and work with the best Biblical scholars all in her search for the truth about Mary Magdalene. All this and more on today's episode of *In Search Of*. A transcript of this episode is available [here](#).

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