

Small Group Session 3 ~ Levi & Friends

Covering sermon of February 27

(Guest pastor February 20)

Ice breaker: Tell a story of a time when you left things or people behind? What were you pursuing?

1. READ Luke 5:27-32. When it says Levi left everything, what was he leaving?
2. What have you left behind for the purpose of following Jesus?
3. Why did Levi throw this banquet?
4. How would you have felt in Levi's shoes? What might it have looked like for you to have a meal with Jesus that introduced him to your friends?
5. What implications does Levi throwing this party have for us in our rejoicing in Jesus?
6. Why does it matter in your own life that Jesus is willing and wants to eat and fellowship with sinners?
7. It is easy to look at the Pharisees and say (like a Pharisee in Luke 18:9-13), "I'm glad I'm not like that." Where are places that we might get hung up on religion to the point that we are missing God at work? **OR** How might our religious precaution get in the way of our rejoicing in Jesus and sharing the good news?