

WEEKEND RESOURCES | JUNE 25, 2023 Week One | Our Meals Matter

USE THESE QUESTIONS AND RESOURCES TO HELP YOU PROCESS THE MESSAGE IN YOUR PERSONAL STUDY TIME OR WITH YOUR GROUP.

Message Recap: For two thousand years, the message of Jesus has been passed along from table to table as people have sat down and shared meals together. For Jesus, reaching people was simple...one meal at a time.

Main Points

- Your Home is the New Temple
- Your Table is the New Altar
- Your Meal is the New Sacrifice

Setting Started

Describe the best dinner party you've ever been to. What made it special and memorable?

Observation

- Read and reflect on Mark 10:45; Luke 5:27-33; 7:33-50; 19:1-10; 22:19-20
- What are your initial reactions to these passages? What do you find challenging? Are you encouraged by any of these verses? Why?



• Jesus was a genius when it came to gathering people around a table - oftentimes, people with different stories and backgrounds at the same table. As we think about the important role of the table, who do you need to invite to sit down with you for a meal? This could be your neighbors, family members, coworkers, classmates, acquaintances, and friends.



- Why do you think Jesus would seek out a despised tax collector like Matthew to be one of his disciples? Who are some "Matthews" in your life that are easier to vilify rather than invest in?
- Look back at Luke 7:33-50. Summarize the parable Jesus tells Simon. What are the implications? Who do you most identify with from this interaction?
- Reread Luke 19:1-10. What do you notice about who was at the table with Jesus? How did Jesus interact with the different groups of people?
- According to Jesus, what are some of the reasons the Son of Man came? Look back at each section of text to identify different answers to this question. What can we learn from what Jesus modeled for us?



• One way Jesus did ministry was sitting down and eating with people. Not only is it a way for your family to meet others, it's a great opportunity to share your faith! Talk with your kids about the importance of sharing meals with others, then invite a family over for dinner, make sure to get it on your calendar this week!

Next Steps and Prayer

- Read Matthew 28:18-20. What stands out to you from the Great Commission recorded by Matthew? How are you actively living out the Great Commission in your life? What steps can you take this week toward someone new?
- Close by praying for God to give you the wisdom and courage to invite some new people to your table.