

Week 1 | The Table | February 21

Key Focus:

Opening Up:

What was your best ever food and drink experience? Describe it. What made it amazing?

Think about this first in your minds eye. What would be the most epic dinner party? If you got to invite one special guest, who would you invite? Where would this dinner party be?

Reference: Luke 5:27-32 Discuss:

- 1. Luke 5:27-32; Jesus calls Levi to 'Follow me', What does Levi do? Why does he do it?
- 2. In the same story, what is the response of some of the religious leaders response?
- 3. While a very busy person, Jesus was often eating with people, going to a meal or coming from a meal. What do you think the message He was telling us by dining with so many?
- 4. Social status was big in governing people's behavior in Jesus' time. In what way did Jesus break with acceptable social behavior (rules) for His time? Who was questioning Jesus table guests? Why?
- 5. The Kingdom of God is the plan Jesus brought to us. Read Luke 5:33-35 What does "the wedding feast" refer to in this portion? How can we live the Kingdom of God in our world today?
- 6. Jesus was sent with a plan to change the world through the Gospel. How is this plan demonstrated to us in Luke 5:27-32?
- 7. How is sitting down at a table with a meal showing the Gospel to others? Who do you need to invite to a meal?
- 8. Discipleship is the process by which we move from unbelief to belief. What are you not believing about God from this text? What belief needs to change.
- 9. God had a mission before the world even began, and Jesus carried it out faithfully. How do you see yourself fitting into the story of God? Are you contributing to the mission, or sitting on the sidelines?