

Sermon Application Guide

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Target Passage → Luke 5:27-32

1. Why is it odd that Jesus would choose a tax collector to come follow him?
2. Why would Levi want to throw a party for his friends with Jesus there?
3. What problem do the Pharisees have with Jesus?
4. Describe Jesus' answer to the Pharisees. Is Jesus saying there are some people who need him and some who don't? Explain.

Bridge Passages (for further study) → John 9:24-41, 12:35-43

For Me →

1. Have you spent any time around rules-oriented religious people? What is that like?
2. Do you ever find in your heart a prideful or judgmental attitude toward people who don't keep God's Law or follow Jesus as well as you do? Explain.

PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for the people in your life who are soul sick without Jesus. Ask the Lord to give you the opportunity to become even better friends.

For the Mission →

1. Do you spend time with people who are far from the Lord? Who are these people and why do you hang out with them?
2. Should we be concerned with our reputation or "witness" when making friends and hanging out?