

Community Group Study Guide
For the Week of June 4th - 11th

Please read Luke 5:27-32.

1. In verse 27, Jesus tells Levi, "follow me."
 - a. Is he calling Levi to become a Christian, or some deeper level of commitment that requires him to leave everything behind? Please explain your answer.
 - b. Simon, James and John also left everything behind to follow Jesus (See Luke 5:11). Do you need to leave everything to follow Jesus? (See also Luke 9:23; 9:57-62, 14:25-26, 14:33, and 18:22).
 - c. How could Levi just leave everything in the tax office behind?
 - d. How could he later host a banquet if he had left everything?

2. In verse 30, the Pharisees and scribes complain about the fact that Jesus and his disciples were eating and drinking with sinners and tax gatherers.
 - a. Were they at the banquet too? Please explain.
 - b. Were they the same Pharisees and scribes who had been sitting with Jesus when he healed the cripple in verses 17-26? Please explain.

3. In verses 31-32, Jesus answers the Pharisees' question.
 - a. Why does Jesus answer, given that the disciples were the ones who were questioned?
 - b. Who are the healthy and the sick that Jesus is referring to?
 - c. Who are the righteous? (See Romans 3:10-23)
 - d. Does Jesus mean that the Pharisees are righteous? Please explain.
 - e. Does repentance involve leaving all and following Jesus? Please explain.