

November 1-2, 2025

Recap

- What stood out to you from this weekend's message?
 - Recap Big Idea: God invited us from our mess into his mercy..
 - 1. Jesus sees the person others despise.
 - 2. Jesus calls us into a new identity others could never see.
 - 3. Jesus sits with those others have pushed away.
 - 4. Jesus <u>heals</u> where religion has <u>wounded</u>.

Break the Ice

- This weekend, Pastor Ron shared the story of how Sir Earnest Shackleton navigated being lost with members of the ship, *Endurance*. Have you personally experienced being lost before? Tell the group about that experience.

<u>Up</u>

- Read Matthew 9:1-13. What stands out, confuses, or challenges you from this passage or the message?
- In what practical ways have been shown grace and mercy by God by receiving what you didn't deserve?

<u>In</u>

- Pastor Ron explained that Jesus was comfortable being at places and tables that made others uncomfortable. As a follower of Jesus, what has been the most uncomfortable place you have been? What did you find difficult or uncomfortable?
- Pastor Ron also talked about how Jesus heals where religion has wounded. Are there any wounds in your life that God has healed or is continuing to heal?

Out

- Who is the one person in your life that God has put on your heart that may be lost.

- The BLESS Acronym can be a great place to start. It stands for Begin with Prayer, Listen, Eat Together, Serve, and Share. Where in this acronym can you start with your one?

<u>Prayer</u>

- Spend time praying for those in your life who may be lost.