



What You Can Do Around the Table

Acts 2:41-47; Luke 19:1-10 | July 6, 2025

DISCUSSION STARTER:

Think back to a time when you shared a meal, a game night, or just sat around a table and laughed with people you love. What made that moment so special?

DISCUSSION:

Read Acts 2:41-47.

- What stands out to you most in this description of the early church? In what ways does the Church today reflect this kind of community? In what ways could we grow to become more like this kind of community?
- Reflect on the phrase: “They ate together with glad and sincere hearts.” When have you experienced that kind of joy around a table or in community? What made that moment so meaningful?
 - Why do you think some Christians struggle with reflecting gladness and enjoyment?

Read Luke 19:1-10

- Jesus was passing through Jericho, but He stopped for Zacchaeus. Why was Jesus passing through Jericho?
 - Knowing Jesus’ upcoming trip to Jerusalem, what does this encounter tell you about Jesus’ heart for people? What adjustments do we need to make to accommodate interruptions in our lives, and more specifically, who do you need to slow down for this week?
- Describe the two different responses to Jesus’ interaction with Zacchaeus. (Try reading Luke 19:6-7 in the CSB version.) Why were these two responses so radically different? Which response do you most naturally express?
- Refer to Luke 15. Why does each story end with fellowship and joy? What does this teach us about the way we should respond and live?
 - Luke 15:7 reads that there will be more rejoicing in heaven...If Heaven can celebrate, why do you think Christians struggle to properly celebrate things today?
- In the sermon, we asked, “How do we mix joy and fellowship?” and provided a few application steps – Make time for the table. Embrace Joy. Share what’s real. Celebrate moments with others. Don’t miss

Jesus at the table. Of those different applications, which one do you feel strongest in, and which one do you need more growth in?

NEXT STEP:

Who is someone (or a group) you can share joy in fellowship with this week?