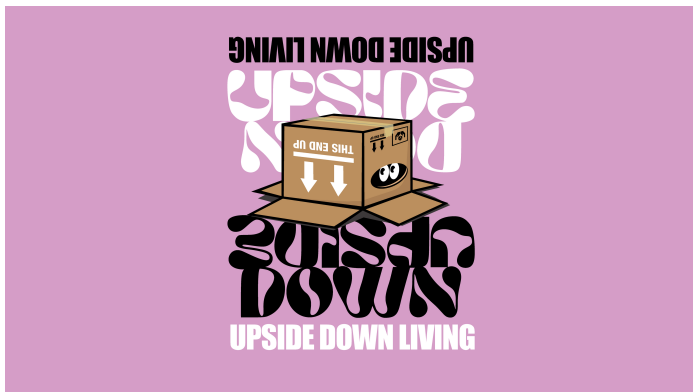


MESSAGE NOTES



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The good life Jesus offers operates differently than the culture around us – very differently!

“You have heard the law that says, ‘Love your neighbor’ and hate your enemy. ⁴⁴ But I say, love your enemies! Pray for those who persecute you!”

Matthew 5:43–44 (NLT)

The good life Jesus offers cannot be found anywhere else.

Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.”

John 14:6 (NLT)

“I came so they can have real and eternal life, more and better life than they ever dreamed of.”

John 10:10 (MSG)

The good life Jesus offers will not be easy or disappointing.

“We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. ⁴ And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. ⁵ And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.”

Romans 5:3–5 (NLT)

The good life Jesus offers is available to everyone, and...

The good life Jesus offers is accessed the same way by everyone.

“Later, Levi held a banquet in his home with Jesus as the guest of honor. Many of Levi’s fellow tax collectors and other guests also ate with them. ³⁰ But the Pharisees and their teachers of religious law complained bitterly to Jesus’ disciples, “Why do you eat and drink with such scum?” ³¹ Jesus answered them, “Healthy people don’t need a doctor—sick people do. ³² I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners and need to repent.”

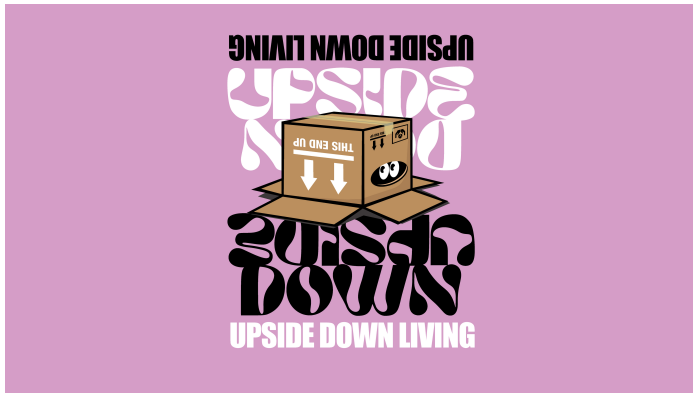
Luke 5:29–32 (NLT)

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NLT– New Living Translation

MSG – The Message

TAKE HOME SHEET



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When you think about “a good life,” what are some things that come to mind describing it?

What is “the good life” that gets promoted on TV, social media, movies, and commercials?

How does what you know about Jesus’ teaching describe “a good life”?

Jesus offers us a new life that operates very differently than the culture around us.

What about this attracts you?

Is difficult for you?

In this series, we will explore all of this together!