

## Meals with Jesus (1 of 7)

### Small Group Discussion Questions

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**Sunday, July 24th, 2022**



**Series Focus:** When we look at the life of Jesus, we see that he ate and drank...a lot. So much so that he was accused of being a glutton and a drunkard! Jesus was constantly sharing meals with his disciples, with religious leaders, and with the outcasts of society. This was one of the main ways he engaged with others. And when someone ate with Jesus, they went away changed. In this 7-part summer sermon series, we'll explore the blessings that God provides when we experience his radical hospitality, and we'll be challenged to open our lives to others around the table.

**Sermon Title:** Discovering Grace

**Scripture Reading:** Luke 5:27-32

**Sermon Focus:** Sharing a meal with someone is about much more than the food. The table can be a place of hostility or hospitality, argument or acceptance. In this message we'll discover how Jesus uses the table as a place of grace. But we might be surprised by the guest list.

Thank you for going deeper in conversation with your small group in person or by video call. Use the following questions to help *guide* your small group discussion:

1. Read Luke 5:27-32 and look at the context of the passage in Luke chapter 5. What do you notice about Jesus' actions? With what kind of people is he associating?
2. Pastor Melissa said that all you need to be accepted at the table of Christ and receive his grace is need. How can you cultivate the awareness of your need for a spiritual physician/Savior?
3. Are there any barriers you recognize that might be hindering you from opening up your home – or heart – to others?
4. Who might God be leading you to invite into your home for a meal as an expression of God's hospitality and grace? Are there other ways you can be intentionally forming relationships in which to extend God's grace and love?