

Jesus Loves the Hated
Luke 5:27-39 December 15th, 2019

The Jewish people considered tax collectors _____ because they worked for the Roman government and had the force of Roman soldiers behind them to make people pay taxes. Jewish people rightly considered them _____ because they could keep whatever they over-collected.

V:29 The tax collector Levi (Matthew) gave up much to follow Jesus, but he wasn't _____.

Jesus loves the sinner and wants to see them _____.

Another common attribute of religious people is a stuffy refusal to _____ life.

There is a time to celebrate and a time to _____.

You can't fit Jesus' new life into the _____ forms. This explains why Jesus didn't begin a _____ movement within Judaism, working with the rabbinical schools and such. Jesus says, "I haven't come to _____ your old practices. I come with a whole _____ set of clothes."

Notes: _____

Growth Group Discussion Questions

(Complete at home on separate sheet of paper if needed)

- 1.) Have you ever cared about a person who was hated by others? Explain.

- 2.) Have you ever been hated by people but found comfort in the love of others who did love you? Tell us about it.

- 3.) Read Sunday's text: Luke 5:27-39 What are some important things you learn in this text about Jesus Christ?

- 4.) Look up the following scriptures and discuss how they relate to Sunday's text. (Matthew 16:24-26; 1 Corinthians 5:9-13; 15:33; Psalms 16:11; Ephesians 2:13-18; Isaiah 43:19; Jeremiah 31:31-34)

- 5.) How would you sum up the main point of Sunday's text in one sentence?

- 6.) Do you have any final questions or comments about today's text? Take some time to take prayer requests and pray for one another.