

The Table

Week 1: The Table

CCV Groups Discussion Guide

Opening Question:

What's the most memorable/meaningful meal that comes to your mind?

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Read it again:

- [Luke 19:1-10](#)

Discuss:

- Why are meals with family, friends, or even strangers so important to creating community?
- Feasting and meals were recurring themes in the life of Jesus. What is the significance of eating in the Bible and is it any different in our culture today?
- Read [Luke 14:12-14](#) and discuss why Jesus challenged his host to invite people who couldn't reciprocate the favor of a meal. How does Jesus' comment to the host in verse 13 compare to who Jesus invited to follow him?
- What would it look like or mean for your table to become a place of grace?
- Who is a person God put on your heart to invite to your table and share a meal with?

Prayer:

Spent time praying and thank the Lord for the gift of community, a meal, and a shared Table. Thank God for the gift of Jesus and all those who are invited to His Table.

Scriptures:

- **Matthew 26:20**, "When evening came, Jesus was reclining at the table with the Twelve."
- **Luke 19:5**, "When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today."
- **Luke 7:34**, "The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and you say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.'
- **Mark 2:6**, "When the teachers of the law who were Pharisees saw him eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they asked his disciples: "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?"
- **Luke 15:2**, "And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."
- **Matthew 9:11**, "When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"
- **Revelation 3:20**, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me."
- **Psalms 34:8**, "Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him."