**Who Can Come to Jesus?**

Luke 5:27-39

**Luke 5:27 (ESV)**After this He went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth. And He said to him, “Follow Me.”

**Luke 5:28 (ESV)**And leaving everything, he rose and followed Him.

**Luke 5:29 (ESV)**And Levi made Him a great feast in his house, and there was a large company of tax collectors and others reclining at table with them.

1. **People who admit they have real problems.**

**Luke 5:30 (ESV)**And the Pharisees and their scribes grumbled at His disciples, saying, “Why do You eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?”

**Luke 5:31 (ESV)**And Jesus answered them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick.

**Luke 5:32 (ESV)**I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.”

**Ephesians 2:12 (ESV)**Remember that you were at that time separated from Christ … having no hope and without God in the world.

**1 Timothy 1:15 (ESV)**The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.

1. **People who recognize that Jesus gives the deepest joy.**

**Luke 5:33 (ESV)**And they said to Him, “The disciples of John fast often and offer prayers, and so do the disciples of the Pharisees, but Yours eat and drink.”

**Luke 5:34 (ESV)**And Jesus said to them, “Can you make wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them?

**Luke 5:35 (ESV)**The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast in those days.”

**John 15:11 (ESV)**These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

**Psalm 16:11 (ESV)**

You make known to me the path of life; in Your presence there is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

1. **People who desire to receive a completely new life.**

**Luke 5:36 (ESV)**He also told them a parable: “No one tears a piece from a new garment and puts it on an old garment. If he does, he will tear the new, and the piece from the new will not match the old.

**Luke 5:37 (ESV)**And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. If he does, the new wine will burst the skins and it will be spilled, and the skins will be destroyed.

**Luke 5:38 (ESV)**But new wine must be put into fresh wineskins.

**2 Corinthians 5:17 (ESV)**

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

**Revelation 21:5 (ESV)**

And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.”

**Luke 5:39 (ESV)**And no one after drinking old wine desires new, for he says, ‘The old is good.’ ”