



Part Two: What We Do

When Jesus holds a party, He goes out of His way to welcome the unworthy. God's party is full of misfits and outcasts - turning our worship into a celebration of amazing grace.

Scripture: Luke 5:27-32 and John 2:1-12

Bottom Line: Sometimes the most spiritual thing you can do is throw a party.

Discussion Questions

1. When you hear the word 'party', what do you think of? How would you describe the word 'party'?
2. Read Luke 5:27-32 - Describe what kind of party is happening here? What are some interesting aspects of this party? (Who is here, what is happening, goals of the party, etc.)
3. Pastor Brock mentioned, that like Levi, "sometimes the most spiritual thing you can do is throw a party." Explain what you think this means? What happens at a party that can't happen anywhere else?
4. Why do you think people liked to party with Jesus? What was his approach to the people and to parties that we can learn from?
5. Why were the religious leaders so upset about this particular party? Their thoughts and ideas about Jesus and religion got in the way and they missed out on the joy and celebration. What are things in our own lives that can prevent us from having great joy and celebration?
6. Reggie Joiner defines a party as "any effort to celebrate, serve, or enjoy each other in a way that adds value to life." With that in mind, what are different ways we as Christians can throw parties for people? Brainstorm.

Moving Forward:

In Luke 14:15-24, Jesus explains how heaven will be like one joyful wedding banquet where everyone is invited. With this in mind - what would it look like if you started acting like everyone was invited to the party? Could this potentially change how we see the world around us? Could this idea change your relationships with people you meet every day? Who is one person in your life you need to throw a party for this week? How can you do that?