

## Journey with Jesus

### STUDY 3

Luke 5:27-6:11

### Hostility grows to God's kingdom come in Jesus

As a community we want to draw near to Jesus Christ, as we seek spiritual renewal together from God. We want to be with Jesus, become like him and share his news with others. We are inviting everyone to join in!

Jesus has begun his public ministry with clear purpose (4:43) and authority. Jesus is at work again, calling followers, showing great power and challenging the human traditions of the leaders.

5 v. 27-32 We see in this section two very different attitudes towards Jesus. **How would you describe the way (a) Levi and (b) the Pharisees respond to Jesus?**

Levi immediately held a feast for Jesus to meet his friends. **Who needs Jesus: Levi's friends, Pharisees or both?**

Jesus has come to call people into his kingdom who fall way short of God's standards. **How relevant is Jesus' mission for churches in Ipswich today?**

5 v. 33 - 6 v. 11 In the next three episodes hostility grows in the hearts of the religious leaders. By the end, some Pharisees are furious with Jesus but all he has done is give the man a hand!

	5 v. 33-39	6 v. 1-5	6 v. 6-11
<b>What are the religious leaders complaining about?</b>			
<b>What does Jesus' reply say about his:</b> <b>(a) identity</b> <b>(b) kingdom?</b>			
<b>What is Jesus challenging the religious leaders to come to terms with?</b>			

**Summary** Jesus' presence marks the beginning of a new era. King Jesus powerfully delivers people from their sin and sickness. Everyone is welcome into God's kingdom by responding to Jesus' call. But those who love their religious traditions more than God's will grow increasingly hostile.

**Discuss** **How does this teaching apply to our own lives and mission as a church?**

**Do you find anything striking or surprising about the way Jesus speaks and acts?**