

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Week of October 17, 2021

Please use these questions to stay connected as a church to meditate on the same sermon preached from God's Word this week. May this be a fruitful time for the building up of our church and for the spread of the gospel.

Sermon Text

Luke 5:27-32

27 After this he went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth. And he said to him, "Follow me." 28 And leaving everything, he rose and followed him. 29 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. 30 And the Pharisees and their scribes grumbled at his disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" 31 And Jesus answered them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 32 I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."

If you were not able to listen to this week's sermon, then please refer to this link to listen prior to answering these questions, http://hawaiikaichurch.org/sermononline

Summary

When Jesus calls Levi, a despised tax collector to follow Him, the Lord is making it clear that no matter what your sin, true repentance and faith will result in forgiveness and salvation. Jesus came not for the healthy, but to save and heal the sin-sick. Until a person recognizes that their greatest need is forgiveness of sins, they will never grasp their desperate need for Jesus. This is a truth that the self-righteous will never understand.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Is it more difficult for healthy, rich, moral, powerful people to come to Christ than the sick, poor, evil, weak people? Why or why not?
- 2. Why do you think one must be willing to give up everything in order to follow Jesus? What does it mean to give up everything?
- 3. What would you tell a person who thinks they are too sinful, that their past is too evil, for Jesus to ever forgive them?
- 4. Who are the "tax-collectors" in your life today? What are some ways you can begin to get to know them in order to bring them the gospel and introduce them to your Savior?