

**Discussion Guide:** Missing the Point

Passage: Luke 5:33—6:11

**Summary:** How can our "religion" actually blind us to seeing Jesus? As the religious leaders' anger grows over how Jesus doesn't seem to be following their rules, Jesus' response reveals that they've missed the whole point…Him!

## **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. How is it that people can often "miss the point" when reading the Bible or praying? In what ways do you sometimes miss the point?
- 2. In Matthew 11:28, to whom is Jesus speaking and what does it look like for Him to give someone "rest"? "Come to me, all you who are wearied and burdened, and I will give you rest."
- 3. How was legalism defined and how have you seen it be a problem for church-attending people? In what ways do you sometimes struggle with legalism?
- 4. What does it mean for the Pharisees to be scandalized by grace? In what ways do you sometimes struggle with the grace that God gives to others?
- 5. What Christian practice do you feel the need to grow in better experiencing? Why? Practicing prayer, Bible reading, fasting, Sabbath, giving, serving, other?

Close your time praying together in light of your discussion.