

Small Group Discussion Sheet Week 6

Title: *For Matthew and Me*

Last Week Follow Up

What actions did you take because of last week's discussion and what the Holy Spirit challenged you to do?

- 1. Where do you need to trust that nothing is too hard for Jesus?**
- 2. Who might God be calling you to carry to Jesus?**
- 3. What obstacles keep you from bringing people to Jesus?**
- 4. What does 'digging through the roof' look like in your life this week?**
- 5. What is one step you will take this week?**

Icebreaker

Who is someone people tend to overlook, avoid, or quietly judge—and why do you think that happens?

Tell it, Rebuild it, then Read the Passage

Scripture: Mark 2:13–17

HEAD — Knowledge (What do we learn?)

1. Who is Matthew, and why would his calling have been controversial?
2. What does Jesus invite Matthew to do, and how does Matthew respond?
3. Where does Jesus go after calling Matthew, and who is there?
4. What complaint do the scribes and Pharisees raise?
5. What does Jesus mean when He says He came for sinners, not the righteous?

HEART — Feeling (What do we feel or value?)

1. How do you feel watching Jesus call someone like Matthew?
2. What emotions surface when Jesus eats with sinners?
3. Where do you see yourself in this passage—at the table, watching from the outside, or questioning Jesus?
4. What discomfort do you feel when Jesus challenges self-righteousness?

HANDS — Practical (What will we do?)

1. Where are you tempted to believe you are “good enough” without Jesus?
2. What attitudes or behaviors might reveal quiet self-righteousness in your life?
3. Who might Jesus be calling you to sit with, not avoid?
4. How can you reflect Jesus’ grace in your everyday relationships?
5. What is one step you will take this week to live like someone who needs grace?

Closing Reminder

Key Truth:

Jesus is for sinners, not the “righteous.”

If you think you’re good, He didn’t come for you—but if you know you’re needy, He came for you.

Close by praying that the group would honestly examine their hearts, receive Jesus’ grace, and extend that same grace to others.