

Relationships

The Friendship Relationship **Luke 5:27-32**

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"The most important word in the English language...is relationship. The thing that satisfies the deepest longing of your being is a relationship with someone" (Oscar Thompson).

After creating Adam, God said, "It is not good that man should be alone" (Gen. 2:18). We were created to live in a relationship with God and with one another. Healthy relationships are the essence of life.

In this study, we will learn some important lessons about friendship from a certain tax collector named Levi who was also called Matthew.

Main Thought...

- ◆ Any friend of Jesus should be a caring friend to _____.
- 1. You want to be an _____ friend of Jesus (v. 27-28).
Jn. 15:13; Heb. 13:5b
- 2. You want to be a _____ friend to sinners (v. 29a, 31-32).
 - Be _____ (v. 29a).
 - Be _____ (v. 31; Mt. 9:13a).
 - Be _____ (v. 32).Ps. 1:1-2; 1 Cor. 15:33; Eph. 4:15a; 5:11
- 3. You want to be a _____ friend to believers (v. 29b; Mk. 2:15).
Pr. 17:17; 18:24b; 27:17; Col. 3:12-14
- 4. You want to be a _____ friend to pretenders (v. 30).
Pr. 27:6a; Gal. 2:11-14; 6:1; 1 Tm. 1:15

Final Thoughts...

- *Friendship with Jesus is life's greatest _____.*
- *Friendship that is broken is life's great _____.*