

Week 1: Day 6

On Sunday Pastor Jesse is going to be looking at the fact that “Koinonia” fellowship is more than just coffee and doughnuts. For all of us to be prepared for this we are going to be spending time in the same passage that Jesse will be for today.

Read Luke 22:7-23, 1st Corinthians 11:17-18

-What are some “Observations” that you see with this passage?

-What are some “Interpretations” from this passage?

-What are some “Applications” from this passage?



Observation, Interpretation, Application Study Tool

Observation

1. WHO is speaking? Who is this about? Who are the main characters?
2. WHAT is the subject or event covered in the chapter? What do you learn about the people, event, or teaching? What historical time frame is this being spoken in? What type of literature is being written here (historical narrative, poetic, prophetic, allegorical, wisdom literature)?
3. WHEN do/will the events occur or did/will something happen to someone?
4. WHERE did or will this happen? Where was it said?
5. WHY is something being said or mentioned? Why would/will this happen? Why at that time and/or to this person/people?
6. HOW will it happen? How is it to be done? How is it illustrated?

Interpretation

1. Why is the author writing this particular passage?

-What are some “Interpretations” from this passage?

-What are some “Applications” from this passage?

Peter did exactly what the Pharisees did to Jesus when Jesus ate at the homes of people they thought to be sinners. Peter lost sight of what was more valuable and had to be taught once again by God. Read Mark 7:15-23. It's not about what you take in (food) that makes someone unclean, but what comes from the heart. It was never about the food but about the heart.

-What are some “Applications” from this passage?

As we read today about the call of Levi (Matthew the tax collector), what was the biggest issue that the Pharisees had with Jesus? He fellowshiped with sinners; people that the Pharisees deemed to be sinners. How did Jesus use the meal at Matthews house? Or what was the end goal of the meal at Matthews house for Jesus? (Read John 10:10)

Week 1: Day 5

For Jesus was as the purpose of the meals that he ate with others? (Hint: go back to yesterday). If the purpose was so that Jesus could share God’s love with sinners, and the sick what do you think the response of the disciples would be when the time came for them to share God’s love?

Read Acts 10:9-19, 23-29, 30-35, 40-42, 44-48

-What are some “Observations” that you see with this passage?

2. What sinful, broken or fallen condition is being addressed or corrected by this passage?
3. What deeper sin or heart issues are being exposed or corrected?
4. How does this passage point to God’s character and Glory?
5. How do we see God’s redemptive plan (gospel) being worked out in the people’s lives?

Application

1. In what ways am I looking to find hope and fulfillment in things besides you, Lord?
2. In what ways am I seeking to earn your favor rather than live by grace?
3. What do my actions suggest that I’m wrongly believing about your character, our relationship, and what you’ve said in your Word?
4. In what am I making my treasure (looking to for my worth, identity and joy) other than Christ?
5. What old sinful thoughts and beliefs am I trusting in and need to repent of? What new thoughts and beliefs should I trust in and walk in according to my reading today?

Week 1: Day 1

As we dig into Koinonia over the next several weeks we need to keep close to hand the definition of koinonia.

Koinonia: at its most foundational root means fellowship. Throughout this study we are going to be working with an active definition of Koinonia. That active definition is **Participating together in Christ.**

Read Luke 5:1-11

-What are some "Observations" that you see with this passage?

-What are some "Interpretations" from this passage?

-What are some "Applications" from this passage?

Week 1: Day 4

So far this week we have looked at:

1. Christ call on us all to share in his life and ministry.
2. That we as believers share in his sufferings.
3. That we can be so wrapped up in ourselves that we actually fellowship with sin.

Now as we transition away from who we fellowship with or what we fellowship with, we are going start to ask the question "what does it take to fellowship?" Is there something special needed or does it happen naturally?

Read Mark 2:13-17

-What are some "Observations" that you see with this passage?

-What are some "Interpretations" from this passage?

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-What are some “Applications” from this passage?

Biblical “Fellowship” is **participating together in Christ.** However, as we read about today we can have fellowship with sinners so that we share in their evil works. There is a battle each day going on for who has control of our heart, Christ or our own sin nature. Who is in control? You or Christ? Read Romans 6:12-17

-Ultimately what is Jesus calling Simon, James, and John to? (See Matthew 11:28-29)

Week 1: Day 2

Yesterday we spent our devotional time in Luke 5:1-11, reading about when Simon (Peter), James, Andrew, and John were called to be Jesus’s disciple’s. Jesus called these men to just follow him, but ultimately Jesus called these men to share in his life and ministry (Matthew 11:28-29).

Read 1st Peter 4:12-19

-What are some “Observations” that you see with this passage?

-What are some “Interpretations” from this passage?

-What are some “Applications” from this passage?

-We are to rejoice as we share in the sufferings of Christ, why are we to rejoice? (See Hebrews 12:7,11)

Week 1: Day 3

Yesterday we read in 1st Peter 4:12-19 that we are not to be surprised when we face difficult times but to rejoice, because we are sharing in the sufferings of Christ. We also looked at Hebrews 12:7,11 and we saw that when we face difficult times, God is treating us as sons and his discipline produces a peaceful fruit of righteousness.

God’s call on our life is to share in everything that Jesus has to offer from his life, his ministry, and even his suffering on the cross. As a believer, it is expected of us to share in all those things. But as we will read about and see we can share in something completely different as well.

Read 2nd John 4-11

-What are some “Observations” that you see with this passage?