

radical King

Luke 6.1-11

This discussion guide includes preparation BEFORE the group and some guidance DURING the group meeting. Preparation before the group will help you, your leader, and your group to engage and respond to the living and active Word of God.



PREPARATION BEFORE THE GROUP MEETS:

The aim of this preparation is to encourage good & prayerful observation of the text of God's word and the joyful experience of discovering its truth.

Pray & read Luke 6.1-11

What are the two most striking things in this reading?

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What puzzles you the most in this reading?

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How does this reading make you **feel**?

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What do you **think** in response to this reading?

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What will you **do** in response to this reading?

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WHEN THE GROUP MEETS: Pray for your discussion time

the ruler who rules over the rules | read Luke 6.1-5 – [check to see if anyone had a stand-out, or something puzzling from this section]

▸ Who opposes what Jesus does and what is their concern? (if you want background on Sabbath law e.g. Ex 20.8-11, 31.14-15, 35.2; Deut 5.12-15)

▸ Who is the Old Testament precedent (if you want the full story check 1 Samuel 21.1-6) for what Jesus does? What does this, together with Jesus using the Son of Man title, imply about who Jesus is?

the ruler who rules for good | read Luke 6.6-11

▸ Does Jesus break the law by healing on the Sabbath? Why/why not?

▸ Do you get the impression that it is the Pharisees/teachers of the law who will prove to act unlawfully? Why?

Think it through: the radical king

▸ Do you think Jesus is a radical king? How is this evident in this passage? What is your response?

▸ How as Christians might we be in danger of being like the Pharisees?

▸ How does the rule of Jesus **and** seeking the good of others combat our Pharisaical tendency?

PRAY!