

“Christ in the City: Jesus’ Target Group”
Small Group Bible Study
July 1, 2007

Read: Luke 5:27-32

Reflect: In your experience, who is most attracted to Jesus ? How would you describe your own attraction to Jesus?

Dig: After carefully reading the text, answer the following questions: What is Levi’s other name (see Matthew 9:9-13)? What evidence do we have that tax collectors are seen as bad people (see Matthew 5:46)? How are “tax collectors” and ‘sinners’ representing two wildly diverse groups? Do you think that Jesus consider the Pharisees to be “healthy”? Why is eating and drinking with them so significant?

Apply: For you, who represents a “tax collector” or “sinner”? What does Jesus want you to learn from this lesson? How should you treat outcasts?