

THE RADICAL RABBI: “A RADICAL PARTY”

STUDY GUIDE

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Why were tax collectors in Jesus’ time so despised?

What were the concerns of the Pharisees as they watched Christ eat with all the “sinners?”

What was Christ’s reply to the Pharisees’ concerns?

What did Jesus mean when he told Matthew, “Follow me”?

What does it mean that Christ was calling sinners to “repentance?”

What made Matthew leaving his job as a tax collector even more impacting on him than on the other disciples leaving their jobs?

Why is the picture of “sinners” flocking to Christ such an important picture for us?

What does the crowd of “tax collectors and sinners” at Matthew’s banquet tell us about how they viewed Jesus?

How many non-Christian friends do you have? How often do you spend time with them? Have you used that relationship as a ministry opportunity for Christ? If your answer is “no,” what do you think is preventing you from sharing Christ? How can your church family help you?