Main Street Church - Life Group Guide

Series: Table Talk: Life Changing Meals with Jesus

Message: Part 3 - Distracted By The Dishes - <u>Luke 10:38-42</u>

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Table Talk LIFE CHANGING MEALS WITH JUSIUS

Connect (25min)

1. HOTSPOTS

- What are your favorite places and ways to cool off or chill out in the heat of summer?
- Are you feeling refreshed or frustrated in your faith and relationship with God this week? How are you personally engaging Jesus this summer? (Bible reading/plan, personal devotions, prayer...)

2. SUMMER PSALM

• **Read Psalm 63:1-8.** Take a few minutes to praise and thank the Lord together in response to this Psalm.

Message Discussion (50min)

1. TABLE TALK

- Does anyone enjoy doing the dishes? Do you usually do your dishes by hand or use a dishwasher?
- What are some "distractions" that you've used to avoid doing the dishes?
- Have you ever had someone drop by your house unexpectedly, and served them coffee or a meal? What did you feel in those first moments of response?

2. DISTRACTED BY THE DISHES

- **Read Luke 10:38-42.** How would you describe the location and atmosphere of this "Table Talk"?
- What do you learn about Jesus? What do you learn about the guests?
- How does the conversation impact the participants and how does it initially impact you?

3. HEART & HOME

- Martha welcomed Jesus into her home, but Mary welcomed Him into her heart.
 What's the difference between hosting Jesus and being with Jesus? How can we confuse the two?
- The Greek word "perispao" means to be pulled in every direction, or distracted.

 What's been dragging you around emotionally, mentally, or spiritually lately? What's your "perispao"?

4. BE WITH JESUS

- You can be doing good things for Jesus and still miss the better thing—being with Jesus.
 Why do you think it's easier to serve Jesus than to sit with Him?
 What does this reveal about our beliefs and values?
- Jesus responded to Martha with affection, not condemnation. How does this change the way you think about His posture toward you when you're stressed, distracted, or overcommitted?

Reflection & Prayer (15min)

ABIDE & OVERFLOW

- Read John 15:1-17.
- **Serve from overflow, not from emptiness.** What would it look like for us to abide in Christ and serve out of *intimacy* instead of *obligation*? How do you refill your spiritual tank?

HOSPITALITY & OUTREACH

- Have you hosted or shared a meal with anyone outside your usual circle recently? Share your story. For example *An unchurched friend, a new neighbor, a co-worker, someone in need.*
- Who are 3 people that you could pray for and connect with over a meal this summer?

PRAYER

- *Break into groups of 3-4, or men & women, to enhance sharing and prayer participation.
 - In response to the message and discussion, how can we pray for you this week? (for salvation, healing, provision, protection, blessing...) Share & Pray for one another.
 - Who is one person in your life that we can pray for together? (for salvation, healing, provision, protection, blessing...) Share & Pray for them together.