



VINCENT CHURCH

SMALL GROUP STUDY GUIDE



EPISODE 8: "I AM HE"

Set the Stage: (Watch first 30 minutes)

The episode opens in the 20th Century BC where Jacob and his sons are digging a well on some land Jacob has just bought near Shechem.

In the 1st Century AD, we meet a Samaritan woman named Photina who goes to that same well, alone, for water.

Meanwhile, in Capernaum, Matthew hosts a dinner for Jesus and his followers, and the Pharisees complain that Jesus is associating with sinners.

Shmuel confronts Nicodemus for failing to condemn Jesus' blasphemy.



Session 9 Discussion Questions:

- What are you left thinking about after watching the first half of episode 8?
- Jesus mentions several times that he's not trying to bring people 'easy', nor is he here to deliver them from their oppressive government. What is Jesus' purpose in coming and in bringing His disciples to follow him?
- What do you think about Jesus's decision to eat with tax collectors and sinners?
- When Jesus spoke with Eden (Simon's wife), He told her that she and Simon are one flesh and that there are no sacrifices he makes that aren't also hers. What can we take from this regarding service, ministry, marriage, etc.?
- Following Jesus can create turmoil in your life and especially in your relationships. Nicodemus, Matthew, and Peter all encountered adversity after beginning to follow Christ. Do any of their stories resonate with you?

Bible Exploration:

- Matthew 8:14-15; 9:10-13
- Luke 4:38-39; 5:29-32
- Mark 1:29-31

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Leave her.



Scripture Study: Mark 2:13-17 (ESV)

Jesus Eats With Sinners

13 He went out again beside the sea, and all the crowd was coming to him, and he was teaching them. 14 And as he passed by, he saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he rose and followed him.

15 And as he reclined at table in his house, many tax collectors and sinners were reclining with Jesus and his disciples, for there were many who followed him. 16 And the scribes of the Pharisees, when they saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, said to his disciples, “Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?” 17 And when Jesus heard it, he said to them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

