



This Study Guide will focus on how we might grow in living out the same daily practices in our life, as Jesus did.

### **A. Sharing Food & Time with People (Hospitality)**

Tim Chester points out that there are 2 phrases in Luke's gospel to describe Jesus' ministry. His purpose - Luke 19.6 *The Son of Man came to seek and save the lost*, and His practice – Luke 7. 34 *The Son of Man came eating and drinking...* (Read for example. Luke 19.5-10)

2. Why is the practice of sharing food and time with people so important for the sake of the Kingdom of God?

3. How might you grow in your practice of Jesus-like hospitality?

### **B. Speaking About the Kingdom of God**

Jesus did what we all do – he spoke about what he loved and was passionate about – the things that captured his heart – the stuff that energized his life – the Father he loved – the hope he had for those he met when they came into God's Kingdom. He did it all the time – in all circumstances – with everyone he met. His passion and his love for God and for others overflowed in words – as well as in actions

4. How might we grow in our practice of speaking about the Kingdom of God with those around us – so that we can be more like Jesus?

### **C. Demonstrating the Kingdom of God has come (on earth as it is in heaven)**

The German theologian Jurgan Moltmann wrote, *"We are so used to death, disease, injustice and chaos in our world that we forget they are intruders in God's good creation. When Jesus expels demons and heals the sick, he is driving out the powers of destruction in the Spirit's power – and beginning the work of healing and restoring all things."*

5. How might we grow in our practice of showing compassion and praying for healing?

6. Jesus used the Spirit's prophetic insight to help people experience the reality of God's presence and power. How might we? Why do we need to be careful in practicing this spiritual insight?

7. Please read 1 John 3.8 and Ephesians 6.10-12. How might we grow as disciples who work with God's Spirit in confronting injustice and all kinds of evil in the world?