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**Gospel Means Change**

*Isaiah 58:6-9; Luke 5:27- 6:11*

* It is easy to skip over, but what did it mean that Levi (Matthew) got up, left everything and followed Jesus? How close is that to describing your commitment to Jesus?
* What does it mean that Levi held a great banquet for Jesus at his house and invited all his workmates? It sounds so invasive of our privacy, but how could we be more like that?
* Why does success make change more difficult (Luke 5:39)? Given our success, why does God keep pushing new things and people at us? How do we set up blockades -justifications- to fend new things and people away (Matthew 18:6-7)?
* What does it mean that God redefines religious activities that we take pride in (Isaiah 58:6-7; Deuteronomy 10:16-19)? How is this His way of taking away our excuses for not doing the right thing?
* How do we take His Word and twist it for our own convenience (Matthew 19:3-8)?
* If the Lord does not come in your lifetime, why is the time still short to do the right things God wants us to do (John 4:34-35; 9:4-5)?