THEY WILL FAST

(Luke 5:33-39)

I. DISCIPLE DISTINCTION

II. DISCIPLE DIRECTION

- A. The wedding guest
- B. Guest will fast
- C. The Parable's
- D. New with the Old

III. DISCIPLE DISILLUSION

- A. Why we don't fast
- B. Why we all fast
- C. Man does not live on bread alone

BIBLE STUDY QUESTIONS

What stuck out to you in this week's sermon?

Can you think of some texts in which the Bible talks about the difference between followers of God and those who don't follow God? What text are they and what do they say?

Look at Luke 5:33-39, Matthew 9:14-17, and Mark 2:18-22. What are the similarities between the three texts? What are the differences? How do the differences give a fuller description to what Jesus is saying? Or how do the differences help explain what Jesus is saying?

Compare use of *bridegroom* in the following texts. How are they used differently, and what are the similarities between them? Isaiah 61:10; 62:5, Jeremiah 7:34, 16:9; 25:10; 33:11, Revelation 18:23. How do these passages help us understand how the picture of a bridegroom is used in the Bible?

Read Ezekiel 11:19 and 36:26 and Luke 22:14-23. How do they relate to one another? How does the Luke passage help us understand Luke 5:33-39?

Why do we so often think and act as though the "old wine" is better than the "new"? How can we fight against this desire? In what areas are you prone to think that the old is better than the new? In what areas do you tend to make them issues when in reality you are holding on to the old wine?

Have you ever fasted from something? How did it go for you? What did you fast from? Jesus says His disciples will fast, so as a disciple of Jesus when are you going to fast? How often are you going to fast? Would it help you if someone fasted with you? Is this something your small group would be willing to do together?