

RESET THE TABLE

Margin

SERIES BIG IDEA:

_____ demands _____.

_____ drives _____.

TEACHING BIG IDEA:

The table is the blessed place of _____, _____, and _____.

¹⁶Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat." ¹⁷"We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish," they answered. ¹⁸"Bring them here to me," he said. ¹⁹And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. ²⁰They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. ²¹The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Matthew 14:16-21 (NIV)

The table is the place of _____ and the beginning of _____.

⁹As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him. ¹⁰While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick.

Matthew 9:9-12 (NIV)

The table is a symbol of _____ and that people have a place to _____.

³⁷A woman in that town who lived a sinful life learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, so she came there with an alabaster jar of perfume. ³⁸As she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them.

³⁹When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know who is touching him and what kind of woman she is—that she is a sinner."

Luke 7:37-39 (NIV)

The table is a place to _____ others and to be _____ for others.

For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

1 Corinthians 11:26 (NIV)

"Jesus, _____ for showing your love for us by dying for us. We _____ that now."

"A shared meal is the activity most closely tied to the reality of God's kingdom, just as it is the most basic expression of hospitality."

— Making Room: Recovering Hospitality as a Christian Tradition, Christine Pohl

The table is my opportunity to _____ those with whom I live, work, and play.

- **Begin with _____.**
- _____ **to their highs, hopes, and heartbreaks.**
- _____ **together and show they belong there.**
- _____ **one another.**
- **Share our _____.**

Eating together creates margin for _____.*Further reading for this week***Day 1:****Day 2:****Day 3:****Day 4:****Day 5:****Day 6:**