

UNSTOPPABLE TEAM: A team of recovery.

October 5, 2025 Discussion Guide

Scripture reading: Matthew 11:28-30; 2 Corinthians 5:17-19; Psalm 147:1-7

CHECK UP:

*Memory Work: Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. – Luke 9:23

*How did viewing the church as an unstoppable team help or encourage you this past week?

OPEN:

- What was a highlight in your week this past week? What was a particular challenge you had?
- Did you B.L.E.S.S. someone this past week? (*Begin in prayer, Listen, Eat, Serve, Share*)

READ and ASK: Mark 2:13-17; Matthew 11:28-30; 2 Corinthians 5:16-19

- Why do you think Jesus chose “notorious sinners” like Levi to follow him?
- What do you think the other disciples thought when Jesus went to Levi’s house?
 - o Why do you think people of “poor reputation” were attracted to Jesus?
- How should we view ourselves when we choose to follow Jesus?
 - o How does how we view ourselves impact our life together as a church family?
- How is Levi an example to us in Mark 2?
- The longer we are Christians, how do we sometimes start acting like the religious leaders in this text?
- How does Jesus give us rest? How is that kind of rest key to “recovering”?

APPLY:

- How can we remind ourselves that we all were once dead in our sins and we are still in “recovery”?
- How are you most challenged by this idea of being a team of recovery?
 - o Do you tend to be “pharisaic” or feel unworthy to be made new?
- How does having the perspective of “being in recovery” encourage or challenge you to reach out to others who need recovery?
 - o NEXT STEPS: What action do you need to take in being a part of a team of recovery this week?

Memory Work:

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

- Matthew 11:28

Next Week's Reading:

John 1:43-51; John 4:39-42