Luke Lesson 17 (2019)

**NEW WINE INTO NEW WINESKINS**

Luke 5:33-39

Key Verse: 5:38

**Open it:**

1. What is one memorable wedding celebration you recall? What person do you know who is not receptive to new ideas or ways of doing things?

**Explore it:**

1. Read verse 33. Who criticized Jesus’ disciples? Why did they do so? What do you know about the religious activities of John’s disciples? The disciples of the Pharisees (Mt. 5:5, 16) How might his criticism have affected Jesus’ disciples?
2. Read verse 34. How did Jesus defend his disciples? What did Jesus teach about himself and his relationship with his people? (Rev. 19:6-7; 21:2-3) What do you learn about the characteristic of life in celebration? (Lk. 15:1-7)
3. Read verses 36-37. What can’t a new patch be put on an old garment? Why can’t new wine be put into old wineskins? How did Jesus’ two illustrations address the challenge that had been put Jesus?
4. Read verses 38-39. In the context of this passage, what is the new wine? (Heb. 4:12) New wineskins? Old wine? Old wineskins? Why doesn’t someone want new wine after drinking old wine?

**Apply it:**

1. In what areas of your life do you often resist change? What can you do this week to become more open to changing as God directs?