



# LUKE

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Read either before your small group or all together at the start.

1. In the very first devotional this week Alex asked what motivated you? Are you someone who is motivated by not getting it wrong or are you someone who is motivated by a desire to get it right? Which are you? How do you think that motivation affects the way you live out your faith?
2. In Luke 14:7-11, Jesus tells the story of the wedding banquet and the person looking for a seat of honour. This story was focused on cultivating humility rather than fighting for position. In what areas of your life might you be tempted to fight for position? How do you think a person can cultivate humility in their heart?
3. In multiple ways Jesus deals with the motivations of our heart in Luke 14. In v. 12-14, Jesus says we should not only invite people into our lives with the expectation that we will get something back, but that we should also find ways to include “the least, the last and the lost.” What is the danger of inviting people into your life with the motivation that they will do something for you in return? What would it look like to include, as Alex says, “the least, the last and the lost” into your life?
4. Near the end of Luke 14 in v. 25-35, Jesus discusses the cost of following him. What are the five analogies that Jesus gives to describe what those costs would be? Take some time to identify and discuss them.
5. Which of those five analogies do you find most challenging to live out in your effort to follow Jesus? How could you support one another as a small group in your effort to consider the cost and follow Jesus whole heartedly?
6. What is one area where you’ve felt Jesus speaking to you this week? What would it look like for you to respond to him? Perhaps take some time praying for each other in these areas.