

# JESUS FRIEND OF SINNERS

Luke 5:29-32



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***And Levi made him a great feast in his house, and there was a large company of tax collectors and others reclining at table with them. And the Pharisees and their scribes grumbled at his disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" And Jesus answered them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance." Why don't we pay attention and find out who Jesus really is, who he loves, how he loves, and then try to be like him?***

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**Jesus was  
accused of  
being friends  
with sinners  
and tax  
collectors.**



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***The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, “Look at him, a glutton and a drunk, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!” But wisdom is vindicated by her deeds. Matthew 11:19***



**Jesus broke all conventions to minister to those in need.**



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*At that very time Jesus cured many people of diseases, sicknesses, and evil spirits, and granted sight to many who were blind.”*

*Luke 7:21*



**The plank eyed  
saint.**



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*Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye," when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother's eye." Luke 6:41-42*



**If we are going  
to call  
ourselves  
Christians, we  
need to behave  
like Christ.**



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*“Truly, truly, I say to you,  
whoever believes in me will  
also do the works that I do;  
and greater works than these  
will he do, because I am  
going to the Father.”*

*John 14:12*

**Friend of Sinners,**

**by Mark Hall with the band Casting Crowns**

**Jesus, friend of sinners,  
we have strayed so far away**

**We cut down people in your name  
but the sword was never ours to swing**

**Jesus, friend of sinners, the truth's  
become so hard to see**

**The world is on their way to You  
but they're tripping over me**

**Always looking around but never looking up**

**I'm so double minded**

**A plank eyed saint with dirty hands  
and a heart divided**

**Oh, Jesus, friend of sinners  
Open our eyes to the world at the end  
of our pointing fingers  
Let our hearts be led by mercy  
Help us reach with open hearts and open doors  
Oh Jesus, friend of sinners, break our hearts for  
what breaks yours**

**Jesus, friend of sinners, the one who's writing  
in the sand**

**Make the righteous turn away  
and the stones fall from their hands**

**Help us to remember we are all the least of these**

**Let the memory of Your mercy bring**

**Your people to their knees**

**No one knows what we're for only against when  
we judge the wounded**

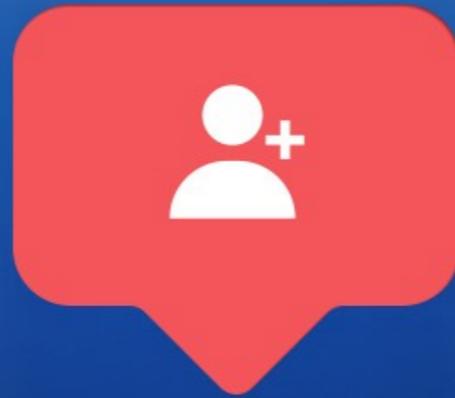
**What if we put down our signs crossed over  
the lines and loved like You did?**

**You love every lost cause; you reach for the outcast  
For the leper and the lame; they're the  
reason that You came  
Lord I was that lost cause and  
I was the outcast  
But you died for sinners just like me,  
a grateful leper at Your feet**

**'Cause You are good, You are good and  
Your love endures forever  
You are good, You are good and  
Your love endures forever  
You are good, You are good and  
Your love endures forever  
You are good, You are good and  
Your love endures forever**

**And I was the lost 'cause and  
I was the outcast  
Yeah**

**You died for sinners just like me,  
a grateful leper at Your feet**



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