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Sermon Notes for December 29th
"New Wine for a New Year"

Sermon Text: **Luke 5:33-39 (NIV)**; Old Testament Text: **Psalm 118:1-6 (p. 649)** New Testament Text: **1 Timothy 4:11-16.**

Luke 5:33-39 (NIV): They said to him, "John's disciples often fast and pray, and so do the disciples of the Pharisees, but yours go on eating and drinking." ³⁴Jesus answered, "Can you make the friends of the bridegroom fast while he is with them? ³⁵But the time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them; in those days they will fast." ³⁶He told them this parable: "No one tears a piece out of a new garment to patch an old one. Otherwise, they will have torn the new garment, and the patch from the new will not match the old. ³⁷And no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the new wine will burst the skins; the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. ³⁸No, new wine must be poured into new wineskins. ³⁹And no one after drinking old wine wants the new, for they say, 'The old is better.'"

Read **Luke 5:33-39 (NIV)** above, while listening to the sermon, then answer the questions below.

1. In **Luke 5:33**, to whom was Luke referring when he said, *They said to him*? Who were they?

Why did the Pharisees choose to compare themselves to John's disciples in this instance?

2. Read **Luke 5:34**. Why would the friends of the bridegroom never fast while the bridegroom was with them?

In this statement, what was Jesus really saying about Himself?

3. Read **Luke 5:35**. To what time was Jesus referring when He said, "*the time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them; in those days they will fast.*"

4. Read **Luke 5:36**. Why would it be absurd to *tear a piece out of a new garment to patch an old one*?

What is Jesus really saying in this statement?

5. Read **Luke 5:37**. Why would new wine cause an old wineskin to burst?

In this parable, what does the *new wine* represent?

What does the *old wineskin* represent?

6. Read **Luke 5:38**. With this statement, what was Jesus saying about the current religious leadership in Israel?

7. Read **Luke 5:39**. Why did most of the people of Israel prefer the *old wine*?

8. What will you remember most about this message?