

Galilean Ministry—The Call of Matthew (Winter 30 – Spring 31)

Matthew 9:9–13	Mark 2:13–17	Luke 5:27–32
<p>9 As Jesus went on from there, He saw a man called Matthew, sitting in the tax collector’s booth; and He said to him, “Follow Me!” And he got up and followed Him.</p> <p>10 Then it happened that as Jesus was reclining <i>at the table</i> in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were dining with Jesus and His disciples.</p> <p>11 When the Pharisees saw <i>this</i>, they said to His disciples, “Why is your Teacher eating with the tax collectors and sinners?”</p> <p>12 But when Jesus heard <i>this</i>, He said, “<i>It is not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick.</i>”</p> <p>13 But go and learn what this means: ‘I DESIRE COMPASSION, AND NOT SACRIFICE,’ [Hos 6:6] for I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners.”</p>	<p>13 And He went out again by the seashore; and all the people were coming to Him, and He was teaching them.</p> <p>14 As He passed by, He saw Levi the <i>son</i> of Alphaeus sitting in the tax booth, and He said to him, “Follow Me!” And he got up and followed Him.</p> <p>15 And it happened that He was reclining <i>at the table</i> in his house, and many tax collectors and sinners were dining with Jesus and His disciples; for there were many of them, and they were following Him.</p> <p>16 When the scribes of the Pharisees saw that He was eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they said to His disciples, “Why is He eating and drinking with tax collectors and sinners?”</p> <p>17 And hearing <i>this</i>, Jesus said to them, “<i>It is not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick;</i></p> <p>I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners.”</p>	<p>27 After that He went out and noticed a tax collector named Levi sitting in the tax booth, and He said to him, “Follow Me.”</p> <p>28 And he left everything behind, and got up and <i>began</i> to follow Him.</p> <p>29 And Levi gave a big reception for Him in his house; and there was a great crowd of tax collectors and other <i>people</i> who were reclining <i>at the table</i> with them.</p> <p>30 The Pharisees and their scribes <i>began</i> grumbling at His disciples, saying, “Why do you eat and drink with the tax collectors and sinners?”</p> <p>31 And Jesus answered and said to them, “<i>It is not those who are well who need a physician, but those who are sick.</i>”</p> <p>32 “I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.”</p>

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