

MAKE APPLICATION

- G** Are there demands from the Gospel that you find difficult to obey? How about before your salvation. What truths were difficult for you to embrace?
- G** What groups of people or types of sin do you find particularly repulsive?
- G** How do we reach out to sinners without being tainted by sin? How do we avoid condoning or accepting sin while still accomplishing Jesus' mission to sick sinners?
- G** Describe the difference between a call to acceptance and Jesus' call to repentance.
- G** It's easy to measure righteousness using our communities' standards. How can we accurately analyze our own righteousness as well as those around us?



REVIEW THE TEXT

Matthew 9:9-13

REVIEW THE SERMON

Context

After showing His authority over sin and sickness, Jesus immediately chose Matthew to be a disciple. The calling of Matthew serves as an object lesson for the message Jesus preached to the Pharisees about true discipleship: true disciples recognize and repent of their sin. Jesus' mission was to call sinners out of their sin.

Main Points

- I. Jesus calls a sinner to discipleship
 - A. A shocking call
 - B. A demanding call
 - C. An obeyed call

- II. Jesus calls all men to discipleship
 - A. The righteous must recognize their sin.
 - B. Sinners must repent of their sin.

Key Interpretive Points

Behold

Matthew tells us what he wants us to see. See Christ fellowshipping with sinners.

Tax collectors and sinners

Tax collectors were social outcasts because they were viewed as dishonest, greedy traitors. "Sinners" includes those who were ceremonially unclean or guilty of particularly repulsive sin.