KINGDOM POWER, KINGDOM CALL Episode 8: THE CALLING OF MATTHEW... July 21, 2024

¹⁸ "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me...."

Matthew 28:18 (NIV)

THE SCENE:

⁹ "As Jesus passed on from there..."

¹³ "Once again Jesus went out beside the lake."

Mark 2:13 (NIV)

Matthew 9:9 (ESV)

THE CHARACTERS:

MATTHEW:

⁹ "...he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he rose and followed him." <u>Matthew 9:9 (ESV)</u>

- JESUS _____AND _____AND MATTHEW ______.
- FOLLOWING JESUS REQUIRES GIVING UP _____ FOR A LIFE OF _____.

JESUS:

¹⁰ "And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples." <u>Matthew 9:10 (ESV)</u>

²⁹ "Then Levi held a great banquet for Jesus at his house, and a large crowd of tax collectors and others were eating with them." Luke 5:29 (NIV)

THE OTHER GUESTS- TAX COLLECTORS, SINNERS, AND JESUS' DISCIPLES:

 SINNERS TO THE PHARISEES WERE ANYONE WHO DIDN'T THEIR ______.

² "'...Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.'" <u>Matthew 3:2 (NIV)</u>

¹⁷ "From that time on Jesus began to preach, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." <u>Matthew 4:17 (NIV)</u>

THE ONE TRUE MESSAGE FOR DISCIPLES/CHRISTIANS
IS ______ AND ______.

PHARISEES:

¹¹ "And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" <u>Matthew 9:11(ESV)</u>

ATTEMPTING TO DISCREDIT JESUS AS A ______ AND THE ______.

THE OUTCOME:

¹² "But when he heard it, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick.' " <u>Matthew 9:12-13 (ESV)</u>

• WE _____ JESUS IN THIS STORY.

¹³Go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners." <u>Matthew 9:12-13 (ESV)</u>

¹ "Come, let us return to the Lord. He has torn us to pieces but he will heal us; he has injured us but he will bind up our wounds. ²After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us, that we may live in his presence. <u>Hosea 6:1-2 (NIV)</u>

• JESUS IS THE PHYSICIAN WHO CAN MAKE PEOPLE WELL

_____, _____, AND ______.

⁶ "For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings. " <u>Hosea 6:6 (NIV)</u>

• OFFERINGS ARE MEANINGLESS UNLESS GIVEN WITH THE RIGHT ______ AND _____.

BOTTOM LINE:

EVEN THOUGH WE _____, WE CAN STILL _____.

NEXT STEPS

- You can now register to be a Prayer Champion or to have your child prayed for. Visit GNGEvents.com to register for the PRAYforME Campaign. Students from 6th grade through 2024 graduates and any adult who wants to pray for GNG's Next Generation.
- 2. August 4th is our Summer Baptism Celebration. If you are interested in being baptized, call the Ministry Center at (937) 393-5383 to set up a baptism interview.
- 3. Looking for a service opportunity? We are looking for volunteers to help clean the Ministry Center. This is a great entry ministry and is very flexible with scheduling. If you are interested, you can email GServe@GoodNewsGathering.org or call the Ministry Center at (937) 393-5383.