

# THE GOSPEL OF *MATTHEW*

**Sermon Discussion Questions - May 8 & 10, 2026**  
**Matthew Part 3: Week 1**  
**Matthew 8:1-17**

**Ice Breaker:** *This week we jumped back into Matthew and looked at three stories of healing.*

- **Q1: If you could have witnessed one miracle from Jesus's ministry in person, which one would you want to see? Why?**

*Read Matthew 8:1-17 together. Jesus came for the unclean and the broken—not for those who think they have it all together.*

- **Q2: Do you struggle to view yourself rightly as one of the “unclean”—as someone who needs Jesus? Why or why not?**

*The leper believed Jesus could heal him, but he wasn't sure Jesus wanted to.*

- **Q3: Have you ever trusted that God was able to help or heal you, but questioned whether He was willing? What was that season like?**
- **Q4: Is there an area of your life where God may be inviting you to have bold hope—to ask Him to move or work “again”?**

*Jesus touched and ministered to people that others avoided and rejected.*

- **Q5: Who are the kinds of people our culture tends to ignore, avoid, or keep at a distance?**
- **Q6: Who are the kinds of people that you find yourself repulsed by or unwilling to approach, even though Jesus came to save them? Why do you think that is?**
- **Q7: What might it look like for you to move toward those people with the compassion of Jesus?**

*Matthew connects Jesus's healings to the deeper problem of sin and brokenness in the world.*

- **Q8: Where are you longing to see Jesus bring healing or restoration right now—in your own life, relationships, community, or the world?**

*This passage reminds us that Jesus has authority over both physical and spiritual brokenness.*

- **Q9: How does that truth encourage you in situations that feel overwhelming or outside your control right now?**
- **Q10: What would it look like for you to respond to Jesus with greater trust, obedience, or repentance this week?**

*Take a few minutes to encourage each other, and spend some time in prayer together!*