

13 Disciples

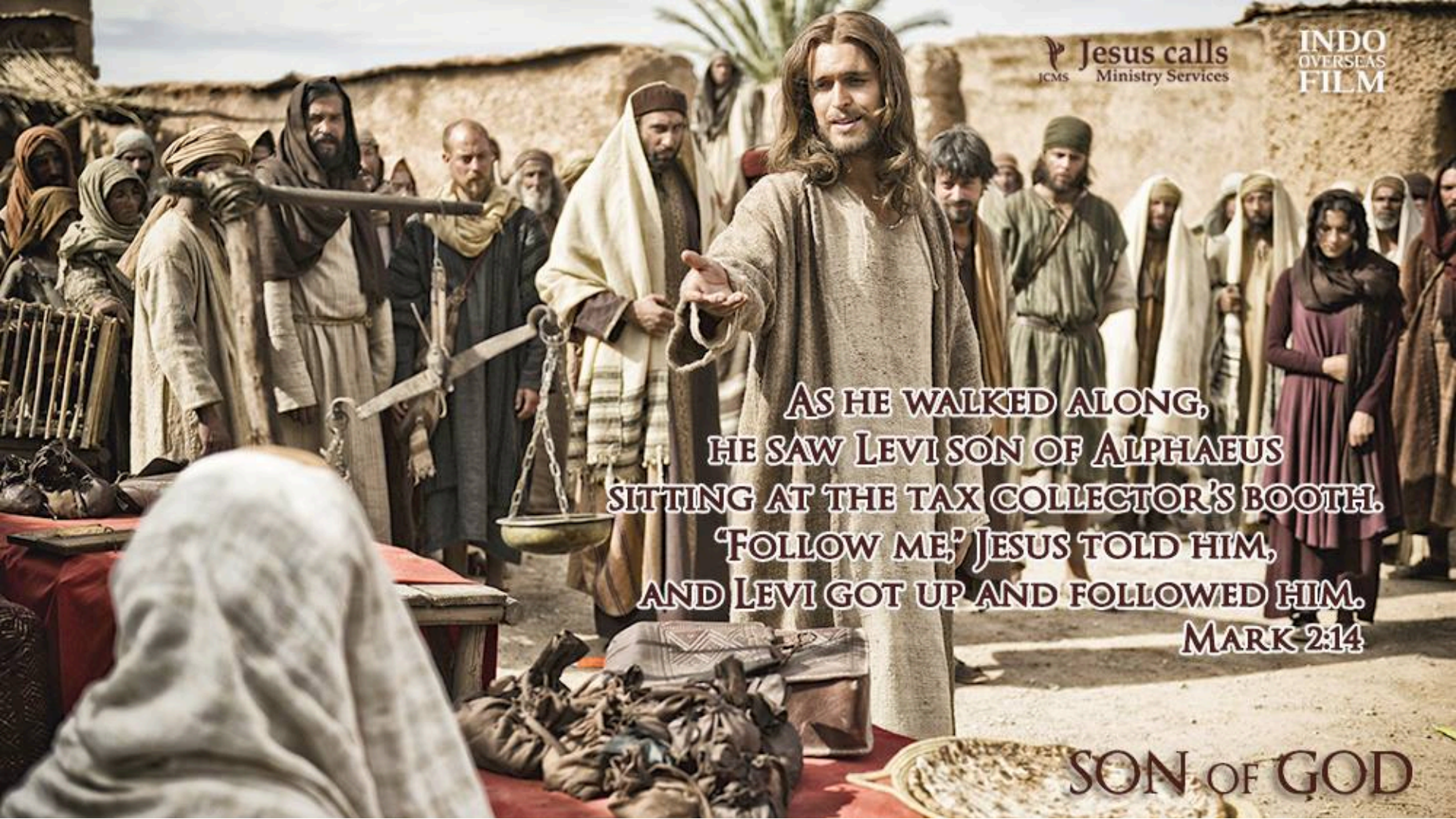


Lessons in
following Christ

13 Disciples



Apostle; Matthew/Levi

A cinematic still from a film depicting Jesus with long brown hair and a beard, wearing a simple grey robe. He stands in the center, gesturing with his right hand towards a man in a white robe (Levi) who is sitting at a wooden booth. The booth is cluttered with tax-collecting tools, including a large wooden scale with a metal pan and a long wooden staff. Other men in traditional robes and head coverings are gathered around, some looking towards Jesus. The background shows a dusty, outdoor setting with simple stone buildings and a palm tree in the distance. The lighting is bright, suggesting a sunny day.

AS HE WALKED ALONG,
HE SAW LEVI SON OF ALPHEUS
SITTING AT THE TAX COLLECTOR'S BOOTH.
'FOLLOW ME,' JESUS TOLD HIM,
AND LEVI GOT UP AND FOLLOWED HIM.
MARK 2:14

Matthew/Levi

- **Levi? Also, a tribe. Why this name?**
- **A tax collector, “accountant”, traitor**
- **1 of 3 Publicans (Tax collectors)**





“Follow Me.”

- he left everything behind, and got up and began following Him.
- And Levi gave a big reception for Him in his house.



saw a man calling
the tax booth, and
"Follow me." And
followed him.

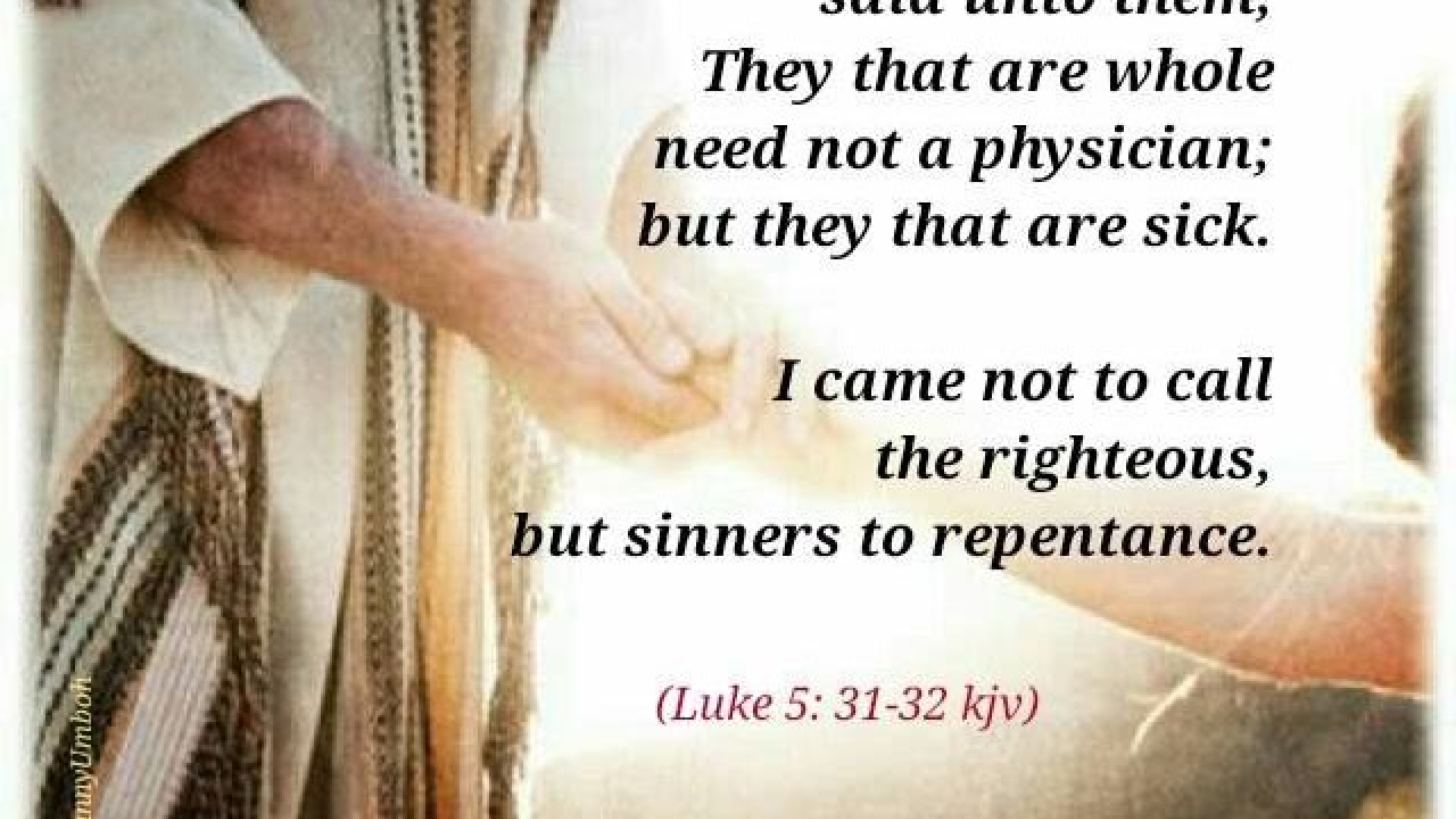
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Humble hospitality

- “a large crowd of tax collectors”
- “Why do you eat and drink with the tax collectors and sinners?”
- Repentant and listening sinners!







*They that are whole
need not a physician;
but they that are sick.*

*I came not to call
the righteous,
but sinners to repentance.*

(Luke 5: 31-32 kjv)

A black and white close-up portrait of Ice Cube. He has a serious, intense expression, looking slightly to the left of the camera. He is wearing a dark jacket and a chain necklace. The background is dark and out of focus.

**DON'T UNDERESTIMATE THE
QUIET ONES**

**THEY KNOW MORE THEN THEY SAY, THINK
MORE THEN THEY SPEAK, AND NOTICE
MORE THEN YOU REALIZE.**

Matthew's Gospel account

- 1st book of NT, written to Jews!
- 70-100+ OT quotes and allusions
- “kingdom of heaven” 32x



From
Tax Collector

to
Gospel Writer



WHAT IS MATTHEW ABOUT?



MATTHEW

- Traditional author
- Tax collector
- One of the Twelve

AIMS

- Present Jesus as the fulfillment of OT (1:1; 5:17)
- Harmonize Jesus' teachings w/ OT (9:17; 13:52)
- **BUT** elevate Jesus' teachings (9:20; 23:18-19)
- Show that Jesus is King of Jews & savior of Gentiles (2:1-2; 28:20)

PROLOGUE (ch 1-2)

JESUS = MESSIAH



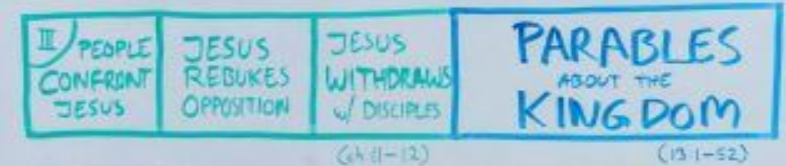
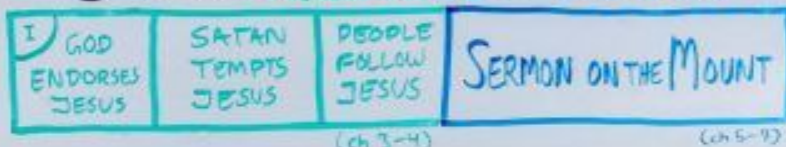
THE CULMINATION OF SCRIPTURE



Like **DAVID** Like **MOSES**



5 SETS OF NARRATIVE & TEACHING



CLIMAX (ch 26-28)

A NEW COVENANT



GREAT COMMISSION



"I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS."

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

1.



MESSIAH
FROM THE LINE OF
DAVID

2.



NEW
MOSES

3.



GOD
-WITH-
US

JESUS BRINGS KINGDOM INTO PEOPLES LIVES



FOLLOW ME!



FOLLOW ME!



Jesus the Christ

Beginning of the Great Galilean Ministry (continued)

Unclean Spirit Healed (Mk 1:23-28; Lk 4:33-37)

Peter's Mother-in-Law Healed (Mt 8:14,15; Mk 1:29-31; Lk 4:38,39)

Others Healed (Mt 8:16,17; Mk 1:32-34; Lk 4:40,41)

Jesus Goes out to Pray (Mk 1:35-38; Lk 4:42,43)

Jesus Travels About (Mt 4:23-25; Mk 1:39; Lk 4:44) – Galilee

Leper Cleansed (Mt 8:1-4; Mk 1:40-45; Lk 5:12-16)

Paralytic Healed (Mt 9:1,2; Mk 2:1-5; Lk 5:17-20) – Capernaum

Scribes Question Authority (Mt 9:3-8; Mk 2:6-12; Lk 5:21-26)

The Rise of Opposition

Matthew (Levi) is Called (Mt 9:9; Mk 2:13,14; Lk 5:27,28) – Galilee

Eating with Sinners (Mt 9:10-13; Mk 2:15-17; Lk 5:29-32)

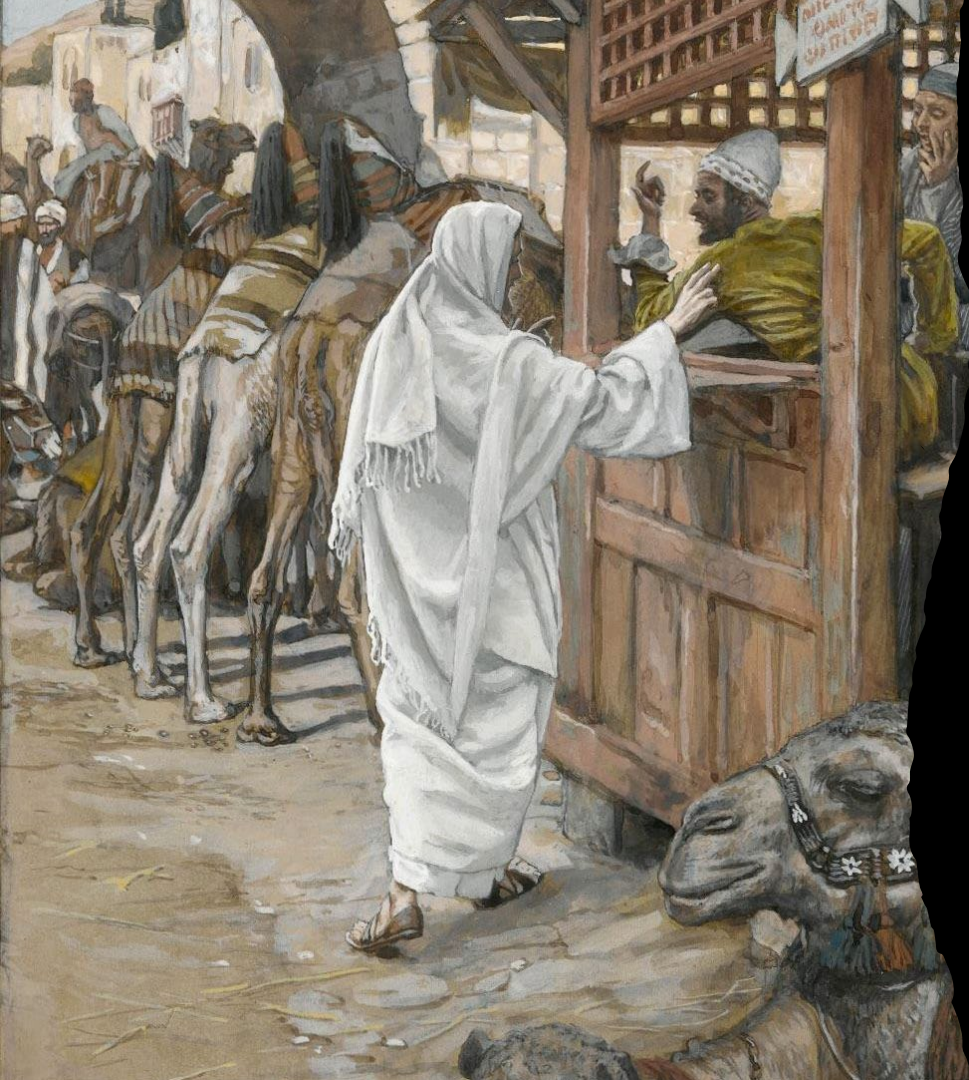
Disciples not Fasting (Mt 9:14-17; Mk 2:18-22; Lk 5:33-39)

Healing at Pool of Bethesda (Jn 5:1-3,5-9a) – Jerusalem – [Jesus' Second
Passover, April, AD 28]

Sinners, repent!

- “It’s not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick
- ‘I DESIRE COMPASSION, RATHER THAN SACRIFICE!’





- Mat 13:22 "And the one sown with seed among the thorns, this is the one who hears the word, and the anxiety (cares) of the world and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful."

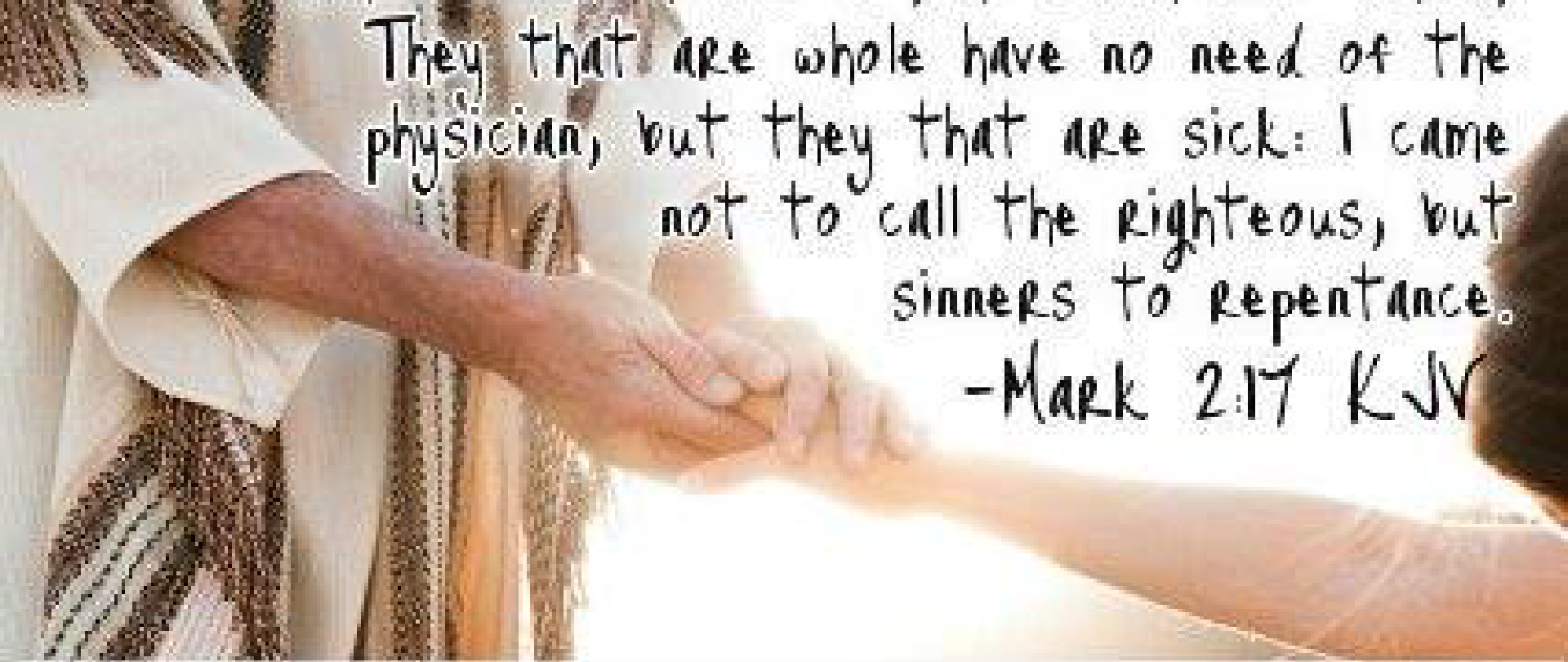
Mercy Me!

- **Matthew left all! Followed Christ**
- **He introduced all his friends to Jesus!**
- **He quietly recorded the longest gospel!**





- Open your hearts!
- Open your homes!
- Open your ears!
- **practicing hospitality**
Rom.12.13
- **Do not neglect**
hospitality to
strangers Heb.13:2
- 1Pe 4:9 **Be hospitable**
to one another
without complaint.



They that are whole have no need of the physician, but they that are sick: I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.
-Mark 2:17 KJV

Yes, Jesus Christ is a friend to sinners, but not sinners unwilling to repent. God loves you enough to accept you just the way you are, no matter how much baggage you carry. God does not plan on keeping you that way though. As disciples we are all called to cast off our







There are five Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, John and the Christian. Most people will never read the first four.

Rodney "Gipsy" Smith


Jesus:
"Friend of Sinners"







And as he sat at dinner in Levi's house,



I CAME NOT TO CALL THE
RIGHTEOUS,
BUT
SINNERS
TO
REPENTENCE.

— LUKE 5:32 —

The calling of Matthew

Mt 9:9-13

As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth.



Follow me,

Matthew got up and followed him.



While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house,



many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples.

When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples,

Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?



On hearing this,

Jesus said,



It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick.



But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.'



For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.





Jesus Calls Levi To Be A Disciple by William Hole







MATTHEW

	Announcement and Arrival of the King Main Emphasis: His Credentials <u>Birth</u> <u>Baptism</u> <u>Temptation</u> <i>CHAPTERS</i> 1–4	Proclamation and Reception of the King Main Emphasis: His Message <u>Sermon on the Mount</u> <u>Miracles</u> <u>Discourses</u> <u>Parables</u> <i>CHAPTERS</i> 5–15	Opposition and Rejection of the King Main Emphasis: His Suffering and Death <u>Spread of opposition</u> <u>Preparation of disciples</u> <u>Final predictions</u> <u>Crucifixion</u> <i>CHAPTERS</i> 16–27	Resurrection and Triumph of the King Main Emphasis: His Conquest <u>God’s power</u> <u>Great Commission</u> <i>CHAPTER</i> 28
The King	His identity: Israel’s promised King		His destiny: “Crucify Him!”	
Scope	Teaching the vast multitudes		Teaching the Twelve	
Location	Bethlehem and Nazareth	Ministry in Galilee	Ministry in Judea	
People’s Reaction	Increased popularity		Increased hostility	
Theme	Jesus is the King, Israel’s long-awaited Messiah.			
Key Verses	16:16–19; 28:18–20			
Christ in Matthew	Jesus, the Messiah, fulfills the prophecies, promises, types, and expectations of the Old Testament Scriptures (16:16–19; 28:18–20).			

Mat. 5
Mar. 5
Luc. 5



Glimpses of Christ from Four Views

Book/Author	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Portrays Jesus as:	Preacher	Man of Power	Master Teacher	Person
Written to:	Jews	Romans	Greeks	All Men
Outstanding Feature:	Sermons	Miracles	Parables	Personal Associations
Arrangement of Material:	Topical	Chronological	Chronological	Topical
Spoken by Christ:	60%	42%	50%	50%
Old Testament Quotations:	53	36	25	20
Old Testament Allusions:	76	27	42	105
Unique Material:	42%	7%	59%	92%
Focus on the Death, Burial, & Resurrection:	29%	38%	25%	38%
Theme:	Jesus the Messiah King	Jesus the Suffering Servant	Jesus the Redeemer of All Men	Jesus the Son of God
Key Verses:	16:13-20	8:31; 10:33-34	19:10	20:30-31
Broad Division:	Synoptics -- The humanity of Christ			Supplemental -- The deity of Christ