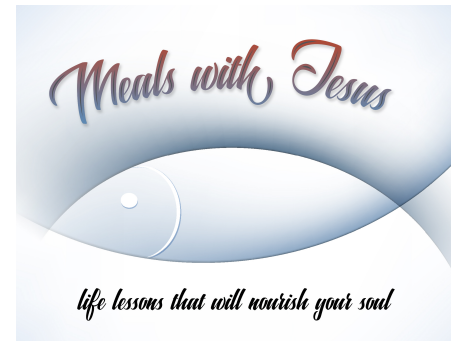


**Notes:**

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

Gospel of Matthew  
Chapter 9:1-13

As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

<sup>10</sup> While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and "sinners" came and ate with him and his disciples. <sup>11</sup> When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and 'sinners'?"

<sup>12</sup> On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. <sup>13</sup> But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners." *This is the Word of God*

**1. A New Life Begins With A Call.**

As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

Matthew 9:9

"All things work together for good to those who love God and are called according to his purpose."

Romans 8:28

**Here's how you know you're called:**

When you start to find, willingly or not, a sense growing on you that Jesus has to be the most important thing and his relationship with you has to be the ultimate thing and everything else has to take backseat.

## 2. A New Picture Of Relating To God

"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?' "

Matthew 9:10,11

### What's that all about?

The Pharisees and the religious leaders believed not only would the healthy people become sick through contact with the unhealthy, but also that the morally clean, would become unclean through contact with the wrong crowd.

### What is the reason for Jesus blowing off the clean laws?

"It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick." Matthew 9:12

### In Matthew 8, there's a remarkable incident with a leper:

When Jesus came down from the mountainside, large crowds followed him.<sup>2</sup> A man with leprosy came and knelt before him and said, "Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean."<sup>3</sup> Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!" Immediately he was cleansed of his leprosy.

<sup>10</sup> While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and "sinners" came and ate with him **and his disciples.** Matthew 9:10

## 3. A New Picture Of Relating To Others

When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and 'sinners'?"<sup>12</sup> On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick."<sup>13</sup> But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Matthew 9:11-13

**The mark that you have real contact with God through me is vs. 13-  
*But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.'***

### How can he make the unclean, clean?

"God made him sin who knew no sin that we might become the righteousness of God in him."

2 Corinthians 5:21

You were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

1 Corinthians 6:20