

A person wearing a white robe with a brown sash is shown from the waist up, gesturing with their right hand towards a desert landscape. The background features rolling hills and mountains under a bright, hazy sky. The text "JESUS CALLS MATTHEW" is overlaid in the lower right quadrant.

**JESUS CALLS  
MATTHEW**

# GRACIOUS JESUS

## 7. THE KING CALLS

Jesus Heals the  
Paralytic

***Jesus Calls Matthew***

New Patches on Old  
Garments

Faith that Heals

The Blind See, Dumb  
Speak

Labourers are Few



# **PREPARATORY QUESTIONS**

**1. From the passages below, what do you observe and learn from:**

- **Jesus' call**
- **Matthew's response**
- **Pharisees reaction?**

**2. What does Jesus mean by the statement "I desire mercy and not sacrifice?"**

**3. What is your top learning from this passage? How will you apply it?**

**Mt 9:9-13; Luke 5:27-32**

# **JESUS CALLS MATTHEW PRESENTATION OVERVIEW**

**Matt 9:9-13 ; Mark  
2:13-17; Luke 5:27-  
32**

**Objectives**

**Jesus Calls**

**Matthew Celebrates**

**Pharisees Criticize**

**Recap**

**Discussion**



# OBJECTIVES

To understand:

- **The meaning and implication of being chosen and called by Jesus**
- **The changes in our life that should result**
- **The dangers of not embracing those changes**



# JESUS CALLS

**9 As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he rose and followed him.**

**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. 11 And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” 12 But when he heard it, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 13 Go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.” Matt 9**

# **JESUS CALLS**

**27** After this, Jesus went out and saw a tax collector by the name of Levi sitting at his tax booth. “Follow me,” Jesus said to him, **28** and Levi got up, left everything and followed him.

**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. **30** But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law who belonged to their sect complained to his disciples, “Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?”

**31** Jesus answered them, “It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. **32** I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.” Luke 5

# **JESUS CALLS**

**Christ's Choice**

**Matthew  
Celebrates**

**Pharisees  
Criticise**





# JESUS CALLS

**He:**

- **Chooses sinners**
- **Calls us friends**
- **Commissions us to be fruitful (John 15:14-17)**



# CHRIST'S CHOICE

**“You have not  
chosen me! I have  
chosen you”**

**On what basis  
does Christ  
choose? (Matt 9,  
John 15)**



Romans 8:28–30

<sup>29</sup> For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. <sup>30</sup> And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

# **MATTHEW CELEBRATES**

**His response is:**

- **Instant**
- **Irreversible**
- **Inclusive (Luke 5)**



# PHARISEES CRITICIZE

- **Changed Lifestyle without Lord**
  - **Offered Libations without Love**
- (hosea 6:6)**
- **Set Limitations without Liberty**



# PHARISEES CRITICIZE

Why did the Pharisees choose sacrifice as opposed to mercy?



# **JESUS CALLS MATTHEW**

## **Christ's Choice**

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## **Matthew Celebrates**

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## **Pharisees Criticise**

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- **Libations without Love**
- **Limitations without Liberty**

# **DISCUSSION**

- 1. What challenges us about Christ's call and choice?**
- 2. How can we be:**  
**More like Matthew**  
**Less like the pharisees?**