

What Do You See?

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Matthew 9:9-13

Matthew 9:9-13 ⁹As 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. ¹⁰While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and "sinners" came and ate with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and 'sinners'?" ¹²On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. ¹³But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

^{9a}As Jesus went on from there...

1. We must see the daily opportunities God places in our path.

^{9b}...he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth.

2. We must see the infinite value God puts on every life.

3. We must see the absolute inability people have to save themselves.

4. Seeing people as Jesus does inevitably moves us toward them.