

BELPRES CHURCH

Sermon Title: The Cure

Scripture: Matthew 9:9-13

⁹ 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.

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

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

All In Small Group Discussion Questions:

1. Looking back, how did it go last week?
2. What stood out the most from the sermon this past week?
3. What do we learn about God (e.g., traits, personality, what matters, priorities) in this passage and sermon?
4. What do we learn about people, and ourselves in particular, this week?
5. Which of the four "greater things" from this scripture and described in the sermon (also listed below) do you most need? Explain.
 - (1) From Jesus as crutch to Jesus as cure
 - (2) From sin management to genuine transformation
 - (3) From fear of discovery of our flaws to freedom of forgiveness
 - (4) From criticizing others to community
6. In light of what we've learned (application):
 - How might God want us to apply this to our own life and the lives of the community this week?
 - Who needs to hear this message/good news?