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Text: 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."

Tax Collector

- Worked for the Roman government.
- Usually were Jewish.
- They were greedy which led to corruption.
- They were classified as sinners.
- They had few friends and many times rejected by family.

His Life After Jesus

- Left his business to follow Jesus.
- Radical change from greediness to becoming a servant.
- He became a teacher, preacher, disciple and martyr.
- He became a friend of sinners. v.10