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Matthew 9

Verses 1-8

- Why would Jesus be blaspheming by saying the man's sins were forgiven?
- What were the crowds like when they witnessed this healing?

Verse 9

- Did Matthew follow right away or did he delay?

Verses 10-13

- He came to call sinners. It is imperative to see ourselves as sinners in order to receive salvation.

Verses 14-17

- We have seen all this before. This is Matthew's account.

Verses 18-26

- What information has Matthew added to his account in verse 23?

Verses 27-31

- What did Jesus do for the two blind men?
- Do you think their faith was in their healing, that they would be healed, or do you think their faith was in Jesus, that He could heal them?

Verses 32-34

- What was the Pharisee accusation against Jesus?

Verse 35

- What was the essence of Jesus's ministry?

Verses 36-38

- Why did Jesus feel compassion for the people?

Matthew 10

Verse 1

- To whom did Jesus give authority to cast out demons and heal diseases?
- Did He have the authority to give?

Verses 2-4

- Matthew's list of the twelve disciples. Notice they are called apostles here. An apostle is a "sent out one", much like a missionary.

Verse 5-15

- The first phrase in this passage supports the title of apostle.
- What were Jesus's instructions?
- What were some things they had authority to perform?
- What did He say about them being received or not being received by others?

Verses 16-20

- The apostles would be sheep in the midst of what? What does this mean?
- How were they to prepare themselves?
- What would people do to them?
- What did He tell them not to worry about? Why?

Verses 21-23

- Why would they be hated and persecuted?
- Could persecution tempt one to turn back?
- What will happen to the one who endures or perseveres to the end? See the book of Hebrews on this if you have time, but we will get there.

Verses 24-25

- What is the place of the disciple?

Verses 26-31

- What will happen to the hidden and secret things?
- Why does He say not to fear one who can kill the body? Remember context.
- Why does He start talking about birds here? Remember context.

Verses 32-33

- Why does He say this? Remember context.

Verse 34-39

- Why does He say He didn't come to bring peace if He is the Prince of Peace? Think about it.
- What do verses 37-39 have to do with the context?
- What do these verses say about discipleship?
- This is a great paradox.

Verses 40-42

- If a disciple of Jesus is received, who else is received? So, if they are rejected, who else is rejected?
- What is the application for us?
- What does verse 42 mean? In the name of a disciple...?

See you tomorrow.