

New Every Morning

Matthew 9:9-13 As Jesus went on from there, He saw a man called Matthew, sitting in the tax collector's booth; and He said to him, "Follow Me!" And he got up and followed Him. **10** Then it happened that as Jesus was reclining *at the table* in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were dining with Jesus and His disciples. **11** When the Pharisees saw *this*, they said to His disciples, "Why is your Teacher eating with the tax collectors and sinners?" **12** But when Jesus heard *this*, He said, "*It is not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick.*" **13** "But go and learn what this means: 'I DESIRE COMPASSION, AND NOT SACRIFICE,' for I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

1. People are _____ by sin.

Matthew 9:11 When the Pharisees saw *this*, they said to His disciples, "Why is your Teacher eating with the tax collectors and sinners?"

Romans 3:23 "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

2. Jesus offers to _____ the broken.

Matthew 9:12 "*It is not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick.*"

Luke 4:17-21 And the book of the prophet Isaiah was handed to Him. And He opened the book and found the place where it was written, **18** "THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR. HE HAS SENT ME TO PROCLAIM RELEASE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET FREE THOSE WHO ARE OPPRESSED, **19** TO PROCLAIM THE FAVORABLE YEAR OF THE LORD." **20** And He closed the book, gave it back to the attendant and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him. **21** And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

- **The** _____

Jesus referred to _____ and _____ poverty.

- **Proclaim Release to the** _____.

- John 8:34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin.
- John 8:31-32 If you continue in My word, *then* you are truly disciples of Mine; **32** and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

- **Recovery of Sight to the** _____.

2 Corinthians 4:3-4 If the Good News we preach is hidden behind a veil, it is hidden only from people who are perishing. ⁴Satan, who is the god of this world, has blinded the minds of those who don't believe. They are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News. They don't understand this message about the glory of Christ, who is the exact likeness of God.

Acts 26:17-18 Yes, I am sending you to the Gentiles ¹⁸to open their eyes, so they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God. Then they will receive forgiveness for their sins and be given a place among God's people, who are set apart by faith in me.

- **Set Free the _____**

- Simple definition is to be _____, distressed

3. We are to be _____ of mercy.

Matthew 9:13 "But go and learn what this means: 'I DESIRE COMPASSION, AND NOT SACRIFICE,' for I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

- This passage is a quote from _____.
- For Israel, religious ritual had become impediments to true spirituality.
- We exist to make families strong and people whole by growing disciples of Jesus.

"We often see ourselves as mercy reservoirs instead of compassion conduits."
What will you do to be a compassion conduit this week?