

Connect - HUGG - Serve



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Who was Levi?

Mark 2:13-14

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Introduction:

Right off the bat, we notice some things about Levi. He was a 1. tax collector AND 2. he was sitting at his booth.

Who was a tax collector?

1. There were 2 types of tax collectors:

- General tax collector
- The way-side collector

2. Why is Jesus calling Levi?

For 2 reasons:

- “If He could love the tax collector, maybe He could love me.”
- Jesus is calling Levi because Jesus sees who Levi will become.

Read Romans 5:6-8.

While we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who is especially good. But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.

Read Mark 2:15.

While Jesus was having dinner at Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were eating with him and his disciples, for there were many who followed him. Mark 2.15

3. I follow Jesus...now what?

- You are saved to be a part of Christian Community.
- You are saved to have a ministry.

Let's continue reading. Verse 17.

On hearing this, Jesus said to them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Sick people need a doctor!

Who was Levi?

Matthew!