

Matthew
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Monday, 9:30 – 11:00 am
To be discussed –03/23/26

Matthew - Lesson 11
Matthew 9:9-34

1. Read Matthew 9:9-13. Why would Matthew have been an illogical choice as a disciple? What was his two-fold response to Jesus calling him?

2. What question was raised by the Pharisees? What did they fail to understand? (See also Hosea 4:1, 6:1, 3 & 6)

3. Read Matthew 9:14-17. What problem arose over the practice of fasting?

4. Explain each of the illustrations Jesus gave as an answer.
 - Verse 15

 - Verse 16 & 17 (make the same point)

5. Read Matthew 9:18-25 & Mark 5:21-43. Why would it have been difficult for the ruler and for the woman to come to Jesus? How did each of them exhibit great faith?

6. How was the woman healed?

7. When Jesus finally got to the ruler's house, what evidence was given that his daughter was truly dead? How did the crowd of mourners respond to Jesus? What miracle took place?

8. In the more detailed accounts in Mark and Luke, Jesus told the ruler, *Don't be afraid; just believe.* How does that encourage you? Can belief be a deliberate choice?

9. Read Matthew 9:27-34, Isaiah 29:18, 35:5-6. How did the blind men address Jesus? Who did they think he was? Why did Jesus not heal these men outdoors? Why did he heal them?

10. What effect did demon-possession have on the man? What was the crowd's reaction when he spoke? Did the Pharisees deny the miracle? How did they explain it?