

**You Don't Have To
Look Too Far**

Matthew 9:9-11

People need the Lord
Something real

Matthew 9:2

And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy; Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee.

People need the Lord
Something real
Something that last

Matthew 9:4-5

:4 And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts?

:5 For whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk?

People need the Lord

Something real

Something that last

Something personal

Matthew 9:9

And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him.

People they know need the Lord
It's not a one and done

Matthew 9:10

And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples.

People they know need the Lord

It's not a one and done

We all know someone

John 1:40-44

:40 One of the two which heard John speak, and followed him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother.

:41 He first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith unto him, We have found the Messias, which is, being interpreted, the Christ.

:42 And he brought him to Jesus. And when Jesus beheld him, he said, Thou art Simon the son of Jona: thou shalt be called Cephas, which is by interpretation, A stone.

:43 The day following Jesus would go forth into Galilee, and findeth Philip, and saith unto him, Follow me.

:44 Now Philip was of Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter

Who will reach them?
Not the self-righteous

Matthew 9:11

And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners?

Who will reach them?

Not the self-righteous

Not the excuse makers

Matthew 9:12

But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick.

It's time for action

Think about it

Matthew 9:13a

But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

It's time for action

Think about it

They try

Matthew 9:13b

But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

It's time for action

Think about it

They try

I do

Matthew 9:13c

But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.