

THE LOST & FOUND



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SEEKING THE

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THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

CONTRASTING THE ATTITUDE OF THE PHARISEES & JESUS TOWARD SINNERS

Jesus At Matthew's House

Matthew 9:10–13 (NKJV)

¹⁰ Now it happened, as Jesus sat at the table in the house, *that* behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat down with Him and His disciples. ¹¹

And when the Pharisees saw *it*, they said to His disciples, “Why does your Teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?”



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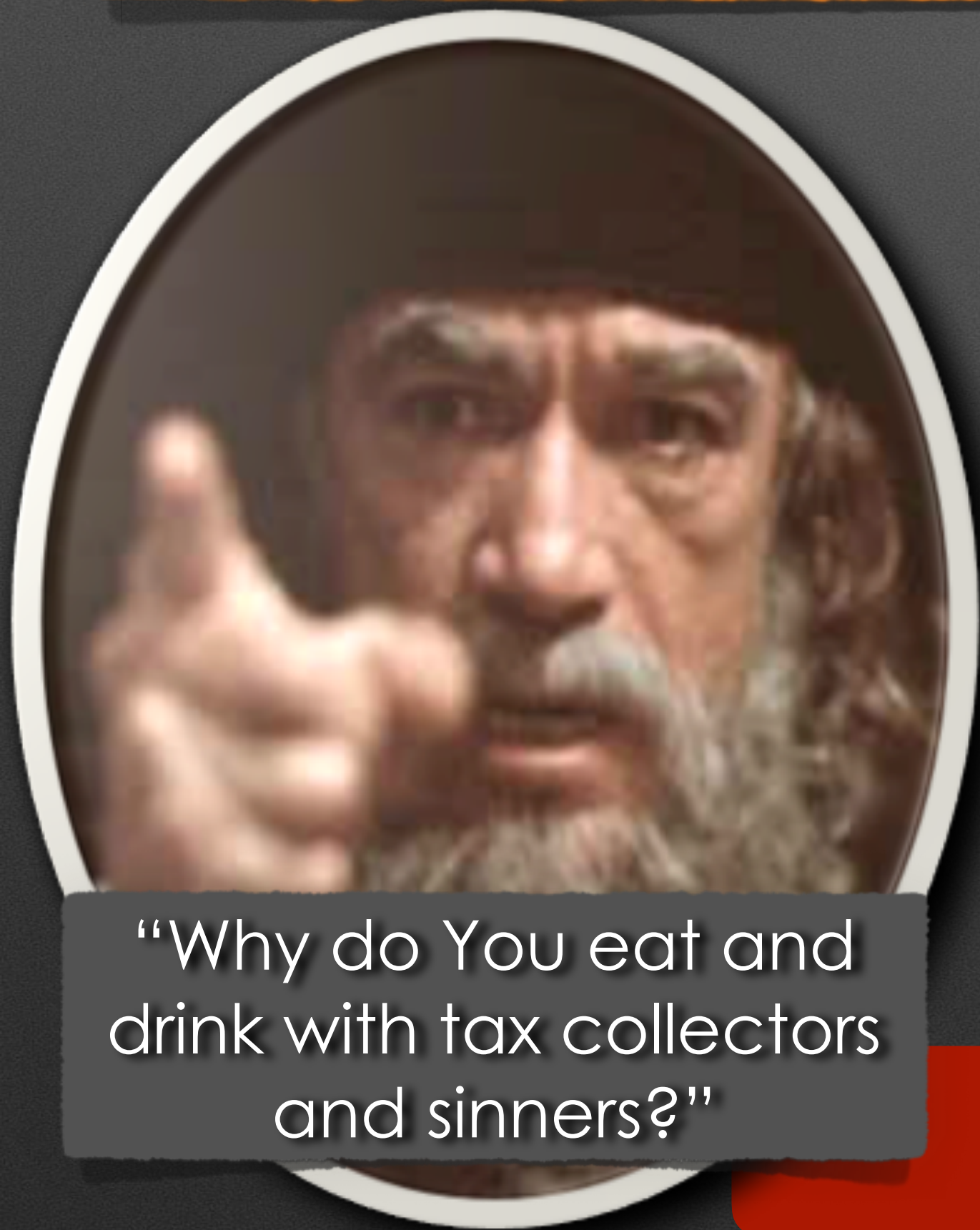
¹² When Jesus heard *that*, He said to them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³ But go and learn what *this* means: ‘*I desire mercy and not sacrifice.*’ For I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance.” —

Cf. Mk 2:15–17; Lk 5:29–32



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“Why do You eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?”

Luke 7:34,39 (NKJV)

³⁴ The Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, ‘Look, a glutton and a winebibber, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ ... ³⁹ Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw *this*, he spoke to himself, saying, “This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman *this is* who is touching Him, for she is a sinner.”


Jesus Follows With The Parable of The Two Debtors

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Luke 15:1–2 (NKJV)

¹ Then all the tax collectors and the sinners drew near to Him to hear Him. ² And the Pharisees and scribes complained, saying, “This Man receives sinners and eats with them.”



“Why do You eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?”

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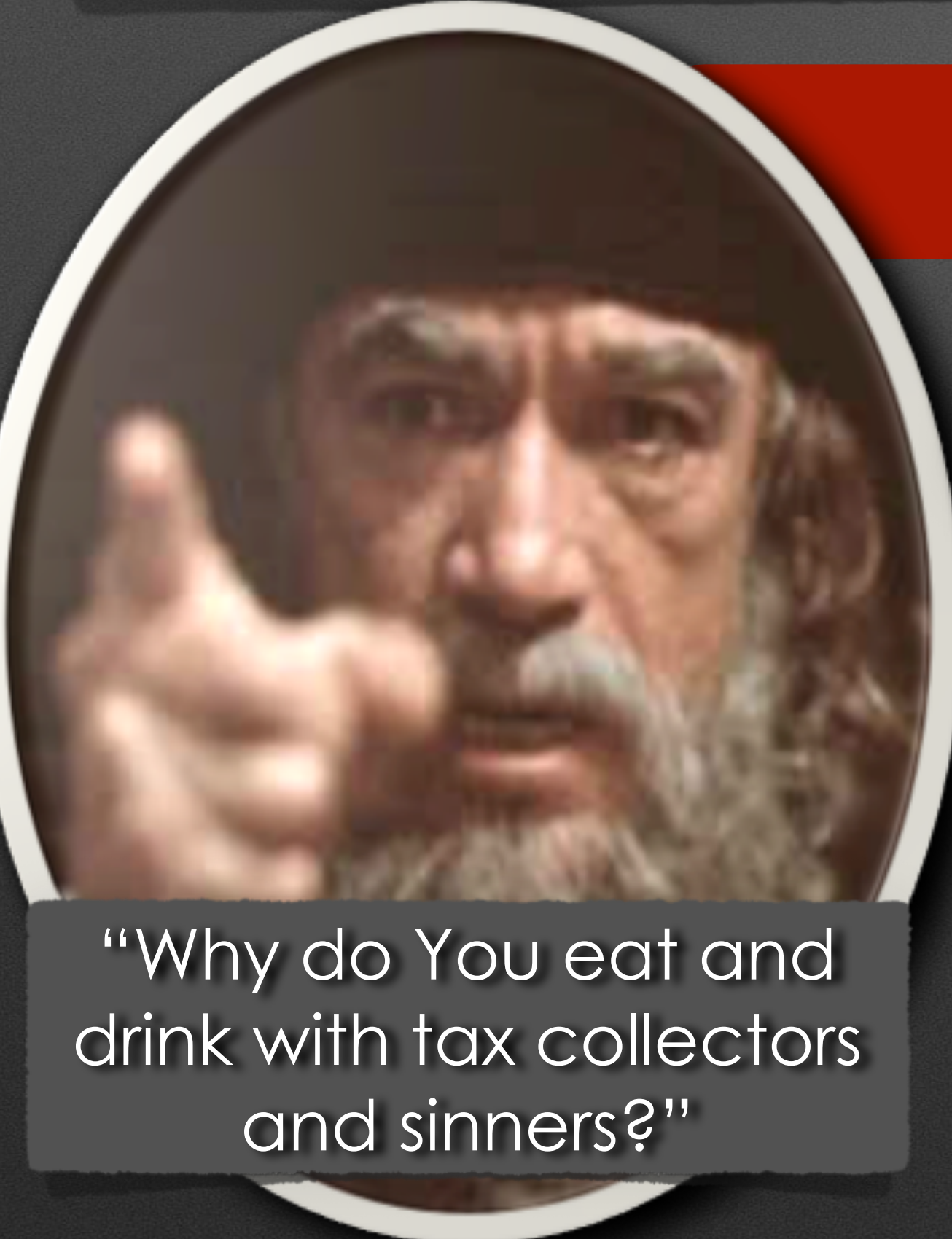
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"Coin"

"Son"



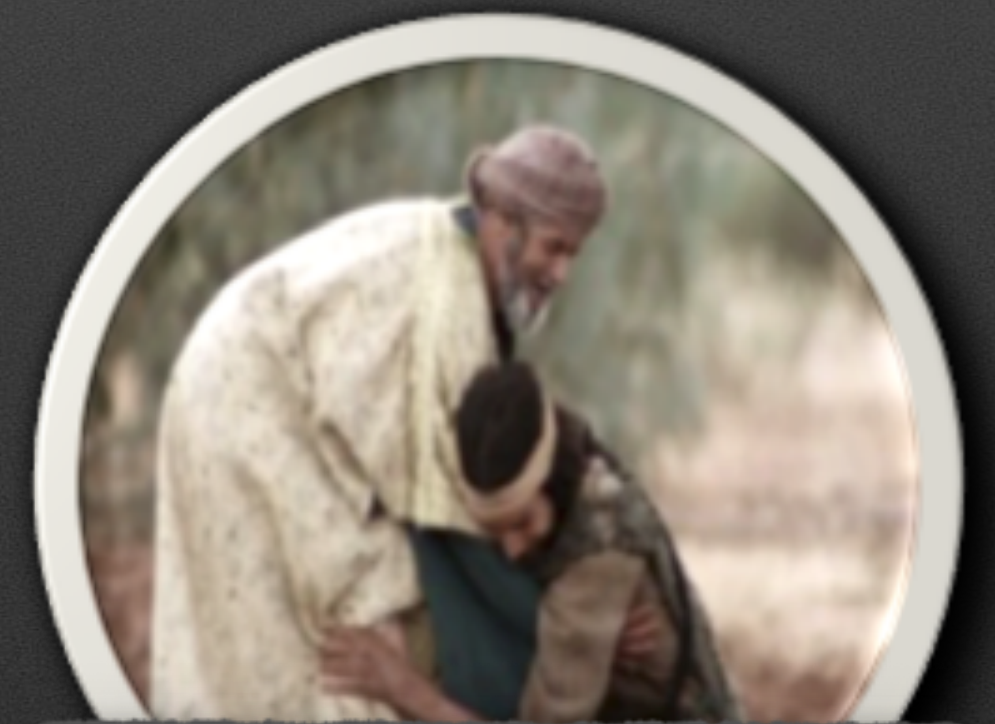
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“What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one

- What do shepherds do when a lamb goes astray? (Luke 15:4)
- How does the shepherd react when the lost sheep is found? (Luke 15:5,6)
- What does the shepherd’s reaction indicate about the value of the sheep that was lost and found?

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Luke 15:4-7

“What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one

Luke 15:7 (NKJV)

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Luke 15:8-10



Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one

- She placed great value on each coin – (*days wage, wedding headdress - She knew what she had or she would not have known one was missing*)
- Demonstrated in her diligent search for the one that was lost — (Luke 15:8)
- Rejoiced when she found it! — (Luke 15:9)

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Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one

Luke 15:9–10 (NKJV)

⁹ And when she has found *it*, she calls *her* friends and neighbors together, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the piece which I lost!’ ¹⁰ Likewise, I say to you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.’”



Luke 15:8-10



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Luke 15:11-32

my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found

- The prodigal son made a conscious decision to leave home and waste his inheritance on sinful pleasure – (Luke 15:11-13)
- The wayward son came to realize the high cost of sin - (Luke 15:14-16)
- He came to realize he would be MUCH better off going home - (Luke 15:17-19)

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- The LOST son made the decision to swallow his pride and return home — (*What did he expect if he returned? What was he willing to accept?*)- (Luke 15:18,19)
- The son arose and went home - (Luke 15:20)
- The FATHER's response: He saw ... ran ... embraced ... kissed - (Luke 15:20)

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- The son's confession (*I have sinned ,, not worthy to be called your son ... make me a hired servant*) - Luke 15:21
- The FATHER gladly receives the son and adorns him with with a robe ... a ring ... and sandals - (Luke 15:22)
- The FATHER has a feast prepared that they may celebrate - (Luke 15:23)

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Luke 15:24 (NKJV)

24 for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' And they began to be merry.



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- The **ANGER** of the older son - He would not go in — (Luke 15:25-28)
- The **FATHER** goes out and pleads with the older son - (Luke 15:28)
- The son makes his case that the younger son should not be treated so well - (Luke 15:29-30)



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Luke 15:31–32 (NKJV)

³¹ “And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours. ³² It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found.’”



Luke 15:11-32

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FOUR TYPES OF LOST SINNERS



- LOST SHEEP - was lost, knew it was lost, did not know the way home (*had to be led home*)



- LOST COIN - was lost, did not know it was lost, did not know the way home (*had to be found*)



- LOST SON - was lost, knew he was lost, knew the way home (*had to decide*)



- ELDER BROTHER - was lost, did not know he was lost (*needed to learn of his condition*)

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FOUR TYPES OF LOST SINNERS



- Sinners NEVER lose their VALUE – Mat. 16:26
- They lose their way -
- They lose their usefulness –
- They lose their relationship with God, His children & their blessedness -
- They lose their souls -

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Ephesians 2:12 (NKJV)
12 that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.

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1 Thessalonians 4:13
(NKJV)

¹³ But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope.

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God's Love For The Lost



John 3:16 (NKJV)
16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

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Romans 5:8–10 (NKJV)
8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

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Romans 5:8–10 (NKJV)
10 For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

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1 John 4:9–10 (NKJV)
⁹ In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

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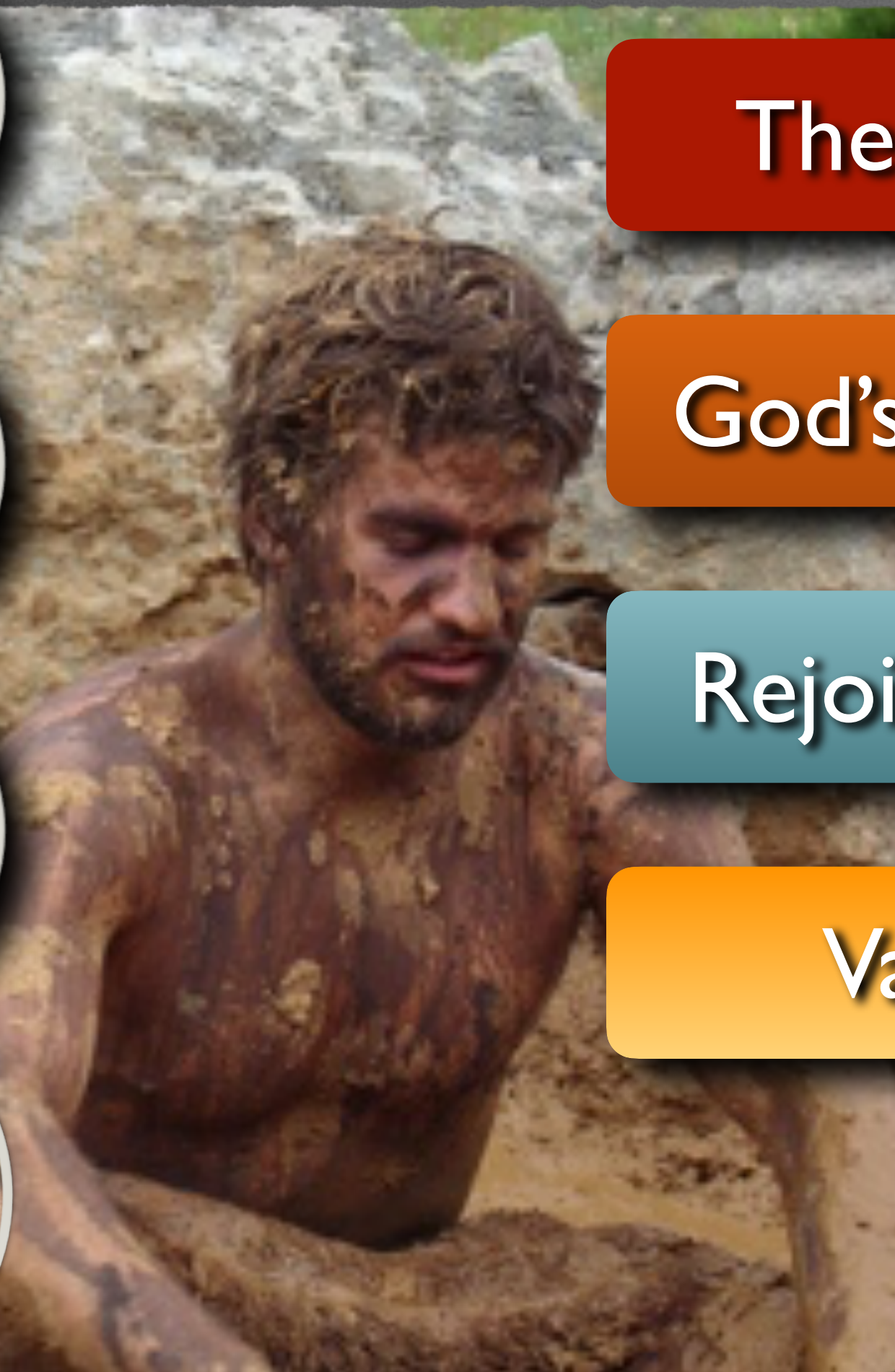


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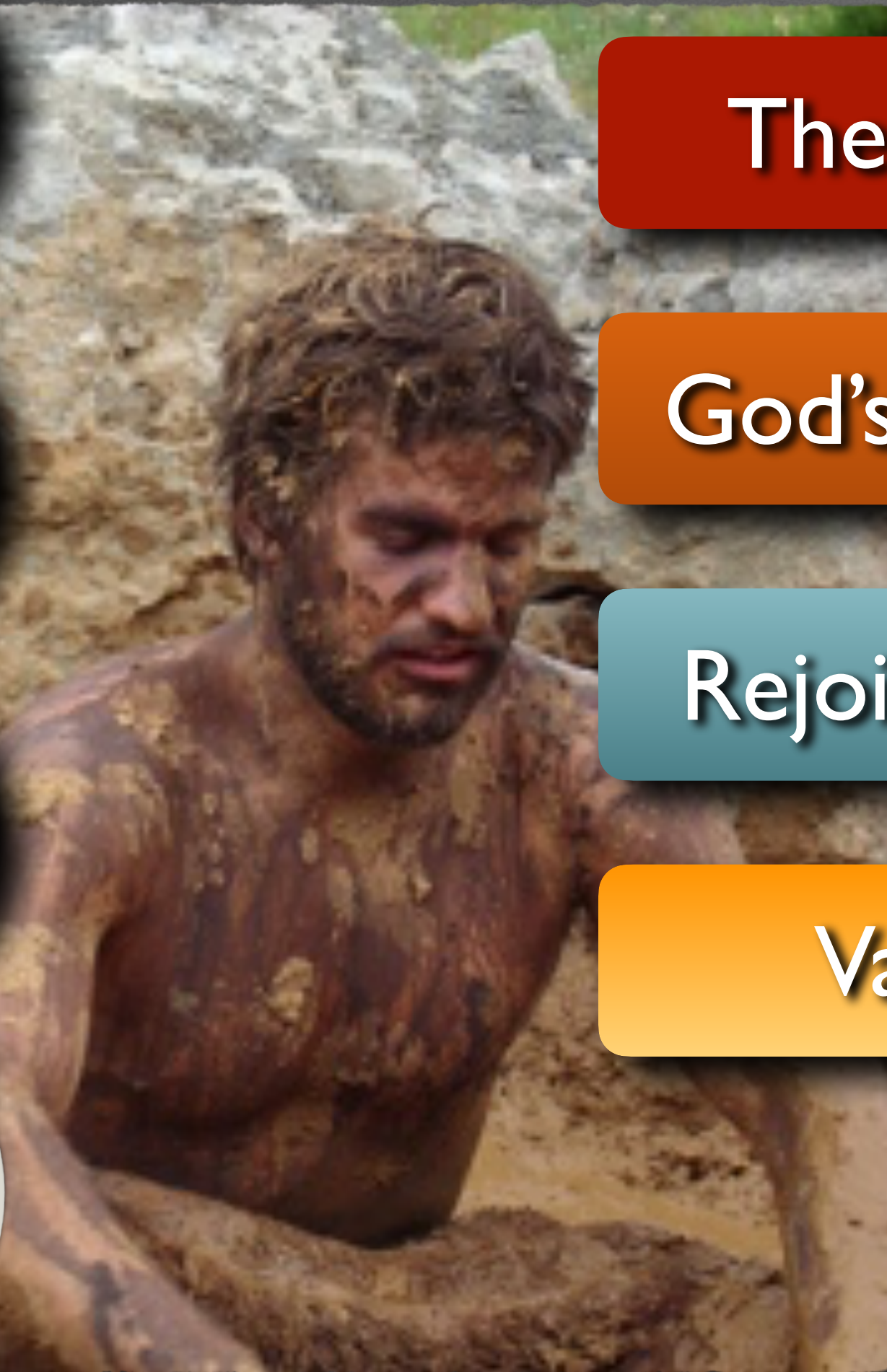
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Matthew 18:14 (NKJV)

¹⁴ Even so it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish. (John 3:16)

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1 Peter 1:18–19 (NKJV)

¹⁸ knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, *like* silver or gold, from your aimless conduct *received* by tradition from your fathers, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

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Luke 15:32 (NKJV)

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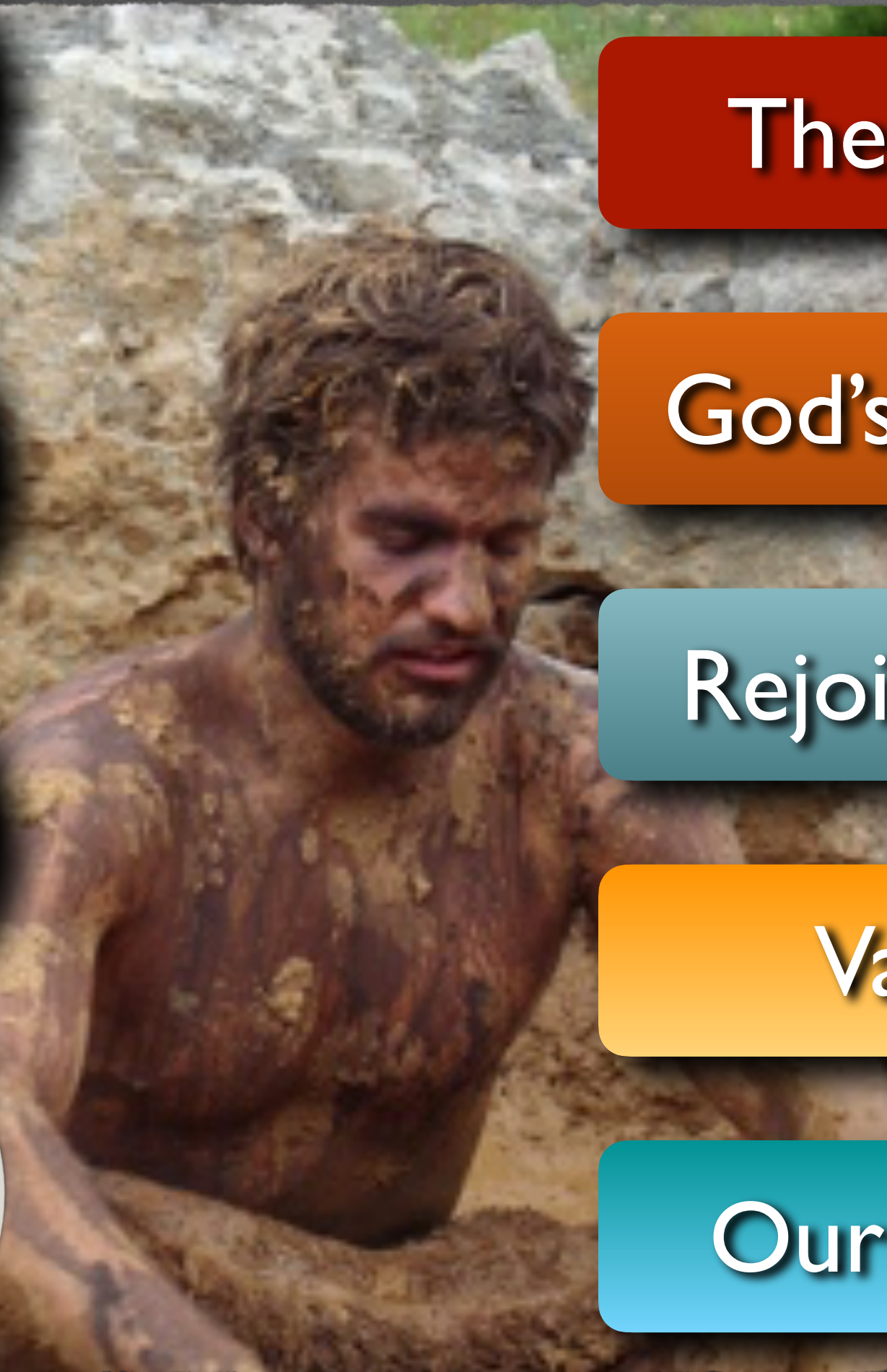
Our Attitude Re. Lost

Romans 9:1–3 (NKJV)

¹ I tell the truth in Christ, I am not lying, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Spirit, ² that I have great sorrow and continual grief in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my countrymen according to the flesh,

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Romans 10:1–3 (NKJV)

¹ Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved. ² For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. ³ For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God.

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John 4:34–36 (NKJV)

³⁴ Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work. ³⁵ Do you not say, ‘There are still four months and *then* comes the harvest’? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest! ³⁶ And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together.



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Do You See Yourself In These Parables?

The Shepherd?
The Woman?
The Loving Father?
The Lost Sheep?
The Lost Coin?
The Lost Son?
The Eldest Son?



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CONFESS JESUS
REPENT
BE BAPTIZED
FOLLOW CHRIST

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Mark 2:13–17 (NKJV)

¹³ Then He went out again by the sea; and all the multitude came to Him, and He taught them. ¹⁴ As He passed by, He saw Levi the *son* of Alphaeus sitting at the tax office. And He said to him, “**Follow Me.**” So he arose and followed Him. ¹⁵ Now it happened, as He was dining in *Levi’s* house, that many tax collectors and sinners also sat together with Jesus and His disciples; for there were many, and they followed Him. ¹⁶ And when the scribes and Pharisees saw Him eating with the tax collectors and sinners, they said to His disciples, “How *is it* that He eats and drinks with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹⁷ When Jesus heard *it*, He said to them, “**Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I did not come to call *the* righteous, but sinners, to repentance.**”