

Luke 5:27 - 32 (NASB)

²⁷After that He went out and noticed a tax collector named Levi sitting in the tax booth, and **He said to him, "Follow Me."**

²⁸And he left everything behind, and got up and began to follow Him.

²⁹And Levi gave a big reception for Him in his house; and there was a great crowd of tax collectors and other *people* who were reclining *at the table* with them.

³⁰The Pharisees and their scribes *began* grumbling at His disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with the tax collectors and sinners?"

³¹And Jesus answered and said to them, "*It is not those who are well who need a physician, but those who are sick.*

³²"I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."

Monday Morning Moment:

"The first step toward healing sin sickness is admitting that we have a need and that we must do something about it."

2 Kings 7:3 - 4 (NLT) ³Now there were four men with leprosy sitting at the entrance of the city gates. **"Why should we sit here waiting to die?"** they asked each other. ⁴"We will starve if we stay here, but with the famine in the city, we will starve if we go back there. So we might as well go out and surrender to the Aramean army. If they let us live, so much the better. But if they kill us, we would have died anyway."

I've decided to make Jesus my choice (Harrison Johnson, 1972)

*Some Folk, would rather have house and land
Some Folk would have silver and gold
These things that they treasure
and forget about their soul
I've decided to make Jesus my choice.*

*The road is rough the going gets tough
The hills are hard to climb
I started out a long time ago
I've made up in my mind
I've decided to make Jesus my choice.*

His job is to call**Luke 5:32 (NLT)**

³²I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners and need to repent."

Luke 4:43 (NASB)

⁴³But He said to them, "I must preach the kingdom of God to the other cities also, for I was sent for this purpose."

Luke 19:10 (NLT)

¹⁰For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost."

Luke 12:49 - 53 (NLT)

⁴⁹“I have come to set the world on fire, and I wish it were already burning!

⁵⁰I have a terrible baptism of suffering ahead of me, and I am under a heavy burden until it is accomplished.

⁵¹Do you think I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I have come to divide people against each other!

⁵²From now on families will be split apart, three in favor of me, and two against—or two in favor and three against.

⁵³ ‘Father will be divided against son

and son against father;

mother against daughter

and daughter against mother;

and mother-in-law against daughter-in-law

and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

Our job is to follow (with a new attitude!)

Luke 9:23 (NASB)

²³And He was saying to *them* all, “If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me.

Philippians 3:7 - 8 (KJV)

⁷But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.

⁸Yea doubtless, and I count all things *but* loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them *but* dung, that I may win Christ,

- *He was so overjoyed at his salvation experience that he invited many of his friends to rejoice with him (see Luke 15:6, 9, 23).*

Luke 15:23 - 24 (NLT)

²³And kill the calf we have been fattening. We must celebrate with a feast,

²⁴for this son of mine was dead and has now returned to life. He was lost, but now he is found.’ So the party began.

John 4:39 - 42 (NASB)

³⁹From that city many of the Samaritans believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, “He told me all the things that I *have* done.”

⁴⁰So when the Samaritans came to Jesus, they were asking Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days.

⁴¹Many more believed because of His word;

⁴²and they were saying to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves and know that this One is indeed the Savior of the world.”