

Jesus' Family
What If? – Part 2
Matthew 9:9-13

What if you knew Jesus wants you in His family?

What keeps us from belonging: 70% of people experience feelings of being a fraud.

Imposter Syndrome: Living in fear of being discovered.

Outcast vs. Belonging

“God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.” Ephesians 1:5 (p.895)

- **Jesus Wants Me In His Family.**

“... ‘Follow me and be my disciple,’ Jesus said to him. So Matthew got up and followed him.” Matthew 9:9 (p.739)

“Later, Matthew invited Jesus and his disciples to his home as dinner guests, along with many tax collectors and other disreputable sinners. But when the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, ‘Why does your teacher eat with such scum?’” Matthew 9:10-11 (p.740)

“... For I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners.” Matthew 9:12-13 (p.740)

“So now you Gentiles are no longer strangers and foreigners. You are citizens along with all of God’s holy people. You are members of God’s family.” Ephesians 2:19 (p.896)

1. Get up and follow.

Series Memory Verse: *“...lead a life worthy of your calling, for you have been called by God.” Ephesians 4:1 (p.186)*

2. Take ownership in the family.

“Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations...” Matthew 28:19 (p.760)

My Next Step This Week:

___ Get up and follow for the first time.

___ Invite someone to an Easter service.