QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

1. Tell your story. Describe a time when God spoke to your heart

 about reaching out to another person in need. What did you do?

2. What does it mean to “follow” Jesus?

3. Read the following passages and note what the Bible says about

 the calling of God upon a person’s life:

a) Matthew 22:14

b) John 15:16

c) Romans 11:29

d) I Corinthians 1:26-27

e) Ephesians 4:1-3

f) II Thessalonians 1:11-12

g) II Peter 1:10

4. Why does God place greater importance on compassion than He

 does on sacrifice?

5. What practical application are you going to make from this week’s

 message? (*Share your decision with another person*.)

* I am going to read the following passages about spiritual gifts and ask the Lord to show me which gifts He has given me for ministry and how to use them. (Romans 12:6-8; Eph 4:11-12;

I Corinthians 12:7-10; I Peter 4:10-11)

* I am going to throw a party and invite some of my unchurched friends and some of my friends who are believers.
* I am going to memorize Romans 11:29.

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Luke 5:27-32 Study Series #020

***The Call of Matthew***

**I. Introduction**

 A. “I’m Not a Doctor!”

 (See Leviticus 20:5; Matthew 11:19; Matthew 18:17;

 Matthew 21:32; Luke 5:30; Luke 18:11)

 B. Taxes in the Roman Empire

 (See Luke 19:18; Matthew 17:24-25; Mark 12:14)

 C. Matthew, the Tax Collector

 (See Luke 19:2; Luke 3:12-13; Mark 2:14; Luke 5:27;

 Genesis 29:34)

**II. The Call of Matthew**

 A. Jesus Calls Matthew

 (See Luke 5:27-28; Matthew 9:9; Mark 2:14; Psalm 139:14;

 Matthew 10:30; Luke 5:28)

 B. Matthew Invites His Friends

 (See Luke 5:29; Matthew 9:10; Mark 2:15)

 C. The Complaint of the Scribes and Pharisees

 (See Luke 5:30; Matthew 9:11; Mark 2:16; Matthew 26:23;

 Galatians 2:11-14)

 D. The Response of Jesus

 (See Luke 5:31-32; Matthew 9:12-13; Mark 2:17;

 Romans 3:10; Hosea 6:6)

**III. Conclusion**

**IV. Communion**

Communion at Cornerstone Church is open for all who profess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. You do not have to be a member of Cornerstone or a member of a Southern Baptist Church to observe Communion with us. If you are a believer in Jesus Christ, you are welcome to take Communion. If you are not a believer in Jesus Christ, Scripture commands that you refrain taking Communion. (I Corinthians 11:26-31)

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian, or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please see the pastor after the service and he or one of our church leaders will be glad to speak with you.

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**Passage of Study**

Luke 5:27-32

**27**After that He went out and noticed a tax collector named Levi sitting in the tax booth, and He said to him, “Follow Me.” **28**And he left everything behind and got up and *began* to follow Him.

**29**And 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. **30**The Pharisees and their scribes *began* grumbling at His disciples, saying, “Why do you eat and drink with the tax collectors and sinners?” **31**And 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.”

**Parallel Passage of Study**

Matthew 9:9-13

**9**As Jesus went on from there, He saw a man called Matthew, sitting in the tax collector’s booth; and He said to him, “Follow Me!” And he got up and followed Him. **10**Then it happened that as Jesus was reclining *at the table* in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were dining with Jesus and His disciples. **11**When the Pharisees saw *this*, they said to His disciples, “Why is your Teacher eating with the tax collectors and sinners?” **12**But when Jesus heard *this*, He said, “*It is* not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick. **13**But go and learn what this means: ‘I desire compassion, and not sacrifice,’ for I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners.”

**Parallel Passage of Study**

 Mark 2:14-17

**14**As He passed by, He saw Levi the *son* of Alphaeus sitting in the tax booth, and He said to him, “Follow Me!” And he got up and followed Him. **15**And it happened that He was reclining *at the table* in his house, and many tax collectors and sinners were dining with Jesus and His disciples; for there were many of them, and they were following Him. **16**When the scribes of the Pharisees saw that He was eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they said to His disciples, “Why is He eating and drinking with tax collectors and sinners?” **17**And hearing *this*, Jesus said to them, “*It is* not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick; I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners.”