

Matthew 9:1-17

I. The Healing of the Paralytic (verses 1-8)

- A. Back in his own country (see Mark 2:4; Luke 5:18-19)
- B. The grace of Jesus: "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven."
- C. A question of authority (see Mark 2:7; Daniel 7:13-14; Matthew 16:19; John 20:23; 2 Corinthians 2:6-7)

II. The Calling of Matthew (verses 9-13)

- A. The tax booth
- B. Feasting with Jesus (see 1 Corinthians 5:9)
- C. Mercy and not sacrifice (see Hosea 6:6; Psalm 40:6; 1 Samuel 15:22)

III. Fasting, Patches, and New Wine (verses 14-17)

- A. You can't fast at a wedding! (see John 3:29; Mark 1:15)
- B. The old way is not good enough (see John 1:17)
- C. What the Law could not do (see Romans 8:3)