
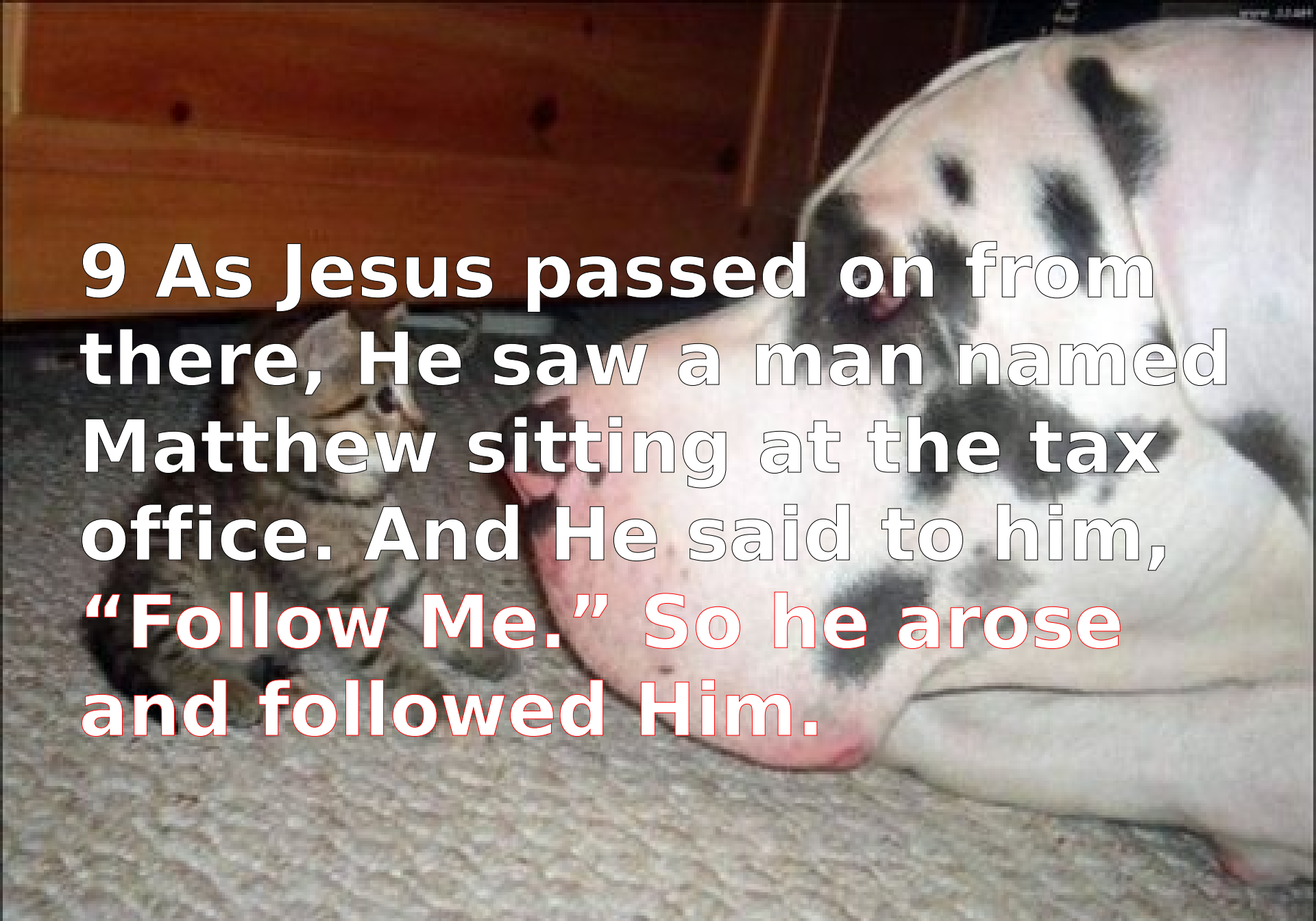


**Strange Company**




A large black and white dog is lying on a grey carpet, looking towards a small tabby kitten. The dog's head is on the right side of the frame, and the kitten is on the left. The background shows a wooden cabinet or bed frame.

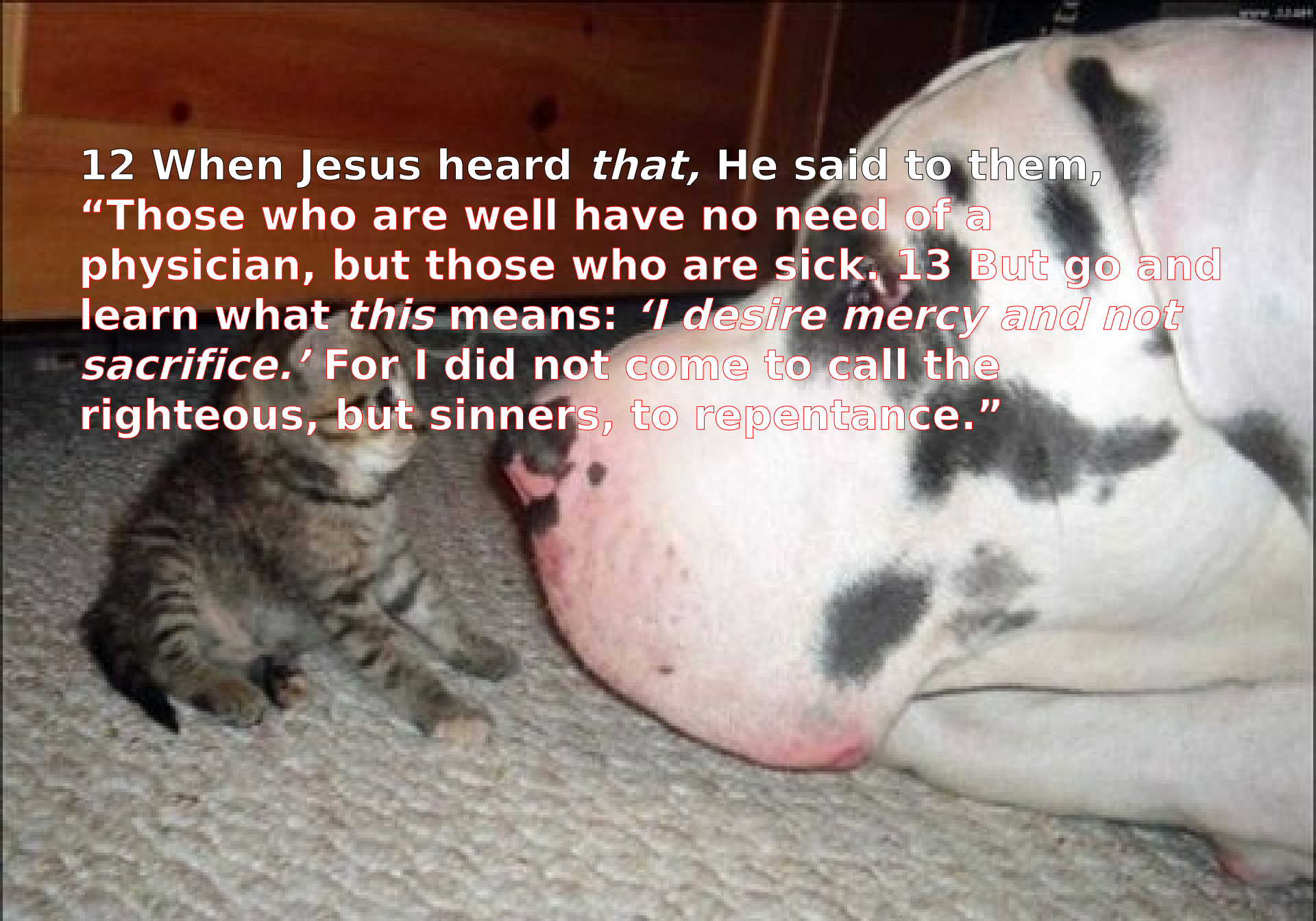
**How do we shift our  
focus to  
“the least of these”?**

A black and white dog is lying on a grey carpeted floor. The dog's head is in the foreground, and its body extends towards the right. The background shows a wooden cabinet or wall. The text is overlaid on the image, with the first part in white and the last part in red.


**9 As Jesus passed on from there, He saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax office. And He said to him, "Follow Me." So he arose and followed Him.**

A pig is lying on its side on a light-colored, textured carpet. The pig has a white body with several large black patches, particularly around its eyes and on its back. Its head is turned towards the left of the frame. The background is slightly out of focus, showing what appears to be a wooden door or wall.

**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?”**

A black and white dog and a tabby cat are lying on a light-colored carpeted floor. The dog is on the right, and the cat is on the left. The text is overlaid on the image.

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.”

A large black and white dog is lying on a grey carpet, looking towards a small tabby kitten. The dog's head is in the foreground, and its body extends towards the right. The kitten is sitting on the carpet to the left of the dog's head. The background shows a wooden cabinet or bed frame.

**It can only mean one thing....  
Jesus is attracted to sinners**

A photograph showing a small tabby kitten on the left and a large black and white dog on the right, both sitting on a light-colored carpet. The dog is looking towards the kitten. The background is a wooden cabinet. The text "Holiness draws us to the least of these" is overlaid in the center in white with a black outline.

**Holiness draws us to  
the least of these**

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**This should be a sign  
of Spiritual Maturity.**

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**Sinners are attracted to Jesus  
because they can be honest  
with Him.**

A black and white dog is lying on a grey carpet, looking towards the left. A small brown dog is sitting on the carpet to the left of the larger dog. The background shows a wooden cabinet.

**We need to be honest with ourselves first.**

**We cannot honestly love “the least of these” until we are first honest with ourselves.**



**He lost**

**Job**

**Good Income**

**Comfortable security**

**Selfishness**

**He Gained**

**His destiny**

**His honor**

**An adventure**

**Love for others**

A black and white dog is lying on a grey carpet, looking towards a small tabby kitten. The dog's head is in the foreground, and the kitten is sitting to its left. The background shows a wooden cabinet or bed frame.

**Jesus had the ability to mix  
with the coarsest of people  
without being stained by  
them.**

A black and white dog is lying on a grey carpet, looking towards the camera. A small brown dog is sitting on the carpet to the left of the larger dog. The background is a dark wooden surface.

**Holiness changes the way you see people and situations.**

**Holiness, through Christ, gives us power to be involved with sinful people and situations without being stained by them.**

# Take Home Questions

Why do you think Jesus was attracted to Sinners

What do you think best describes the attitude of your church toward non-believers? What word best describes your own attitude?

What would have to change in your life in order to adopt the same attitude toward non-believers that Jesus had?