



**Riverstone**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

## Sermon Based Questions

Date- Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2021  
Series- The King & his Kingdom 4  
(Luke 5:17-32)

### **The King who came for Sick!**

*31 Jesus answered them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. 32 I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."*

Luke 5:31-32

**1. Jesus heals a paralytic to show he has authority to forgive. Lk. 5:17-26**

**2. Jesus calls the sin sick to follow him. Lk.5:27-32**

#### **A. Examining the texts.**

1. Read Luke 5:17. What do you think it means when Luke says- “And the power of the Lord was Jesus to heal the sick?” Was this power always present, occasionally present? Why would you say that?
2. Read Luke 5:18-26. What is surprising about what Jesus says to the paralyzed man? What did the pharisees think about what he said? How did Jesus “prove that he had authority to forgive sins?”
3. Read Luke 5:27-32. What did Jesus say to the tax collector and what makes his response significant? What did Marcus say- that made Levi’s decision perhaps even more decisive than that of Peter and Andrew as fisherman?
4. Read Luke 5:27-32. What does this encounter with Levi reveal about the mission of Jesus? Why were the pharisees critical of Jesus and his behavior?

#### **B. Meditation & application**

5. Why is the fact that Jesus has authority to forgive sin good news in general?
6. I think most secular people today, don’t think much about “sin,” and the need for forgiveness today, but they do think about self-justification and proving oneself. How does the fact that Jesus has authority to forgive sin, speak to our culture? How could you share this good news with your unbelieving friends and family in ways that are relevant to them?
7. If Jesus says that his mission was “to call sinners to repentance,” what does that message say to us about our mission in the world today?

A Prayer: Heavenly Father- We thank you for the good news that the Messiah- King Jesus came to heal, restore and forgive the sin sick. We ask that we would look to him to seek out our own healing and help us to pursue his mission in our world- meeting with the sin sick and bringing them to Jesus that they too might know his goodness. In Jesus Name- Amen