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- The one ready to serve now.
- The one ready to serve <u>later</u>.
- The disciples themselves still have much to learn.
- The knowledge of the demons.

What will we learn? (Matthew 9:1-17)

- Three stories of hostility towards Jesus.
- Four friends' faith results in more than expected.
- One is called and reports to duty.
- Three examples about fasting.

Where was Jesus that He stepped in a boat to His own town? (Matthew 9:1; Matthew 8:28)

Whose faith did Jesus recognize when He encountered the paralyzed man on the mat? (<u>Matthew 9:2</u>)

Instead of just healing the man, what did Jesus say that the 'teaches of the law' find so very troubling to them? (Matthew 9:2-3)

Jesus directly spoke to the 'teachers of the law' to make even clearer his point. What was Jesus claiming while at the same time calling himself 'the Son of Man?' (Matthew 9:5-6)

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Did the rest of the crowd react as the teachers of the law? What was their reaction? (Matthew 9:8)

At what level of esteem did the people attribute to tax collectors? (Matthew 9:9-11)

So, in this short span of time, Jesus has been accused of a religious crime by the teachers of the law, and now of associating with the blatant corrupt by the Pharisees. (Matthew 9:10-11)

Dressing down (chastising) the teachers of the law and Pharisees, Jesus told them to 'go and learn.' (Matthew 9:11-13)

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Jesus refers to his disciples as being guests of the bridegroom. Jesus makes this foreshadowing of the feast of the bride and bridegroom spoken here (<u>Matthew 9:14-15</u>), the Prophets (<u>Isaiah 62:5</u>), and later after Jesus has ascended to the heavenlies. (<u>Revelation 19:7</u>; <u>Revelation 21:2</u>)

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