♦SERMON NOTES **♦**

Sunday, June 25, 2017

"HOSTING A MATTHEW PARTY"

(Matthew 9:9-12)

Matthew, a tax collector, accepted Jesus' invitation to follow. He left everything for Jesus. The first thing he did, was to host a party and invite all of his other friends who were also tax collectors to his home. How could we strategically use our homes to reach our neighbors for Christ?

"Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners" (Matthew 9:12-13, ESV).

"We are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God" (2 Corinthians 5:20, ESV).