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What to Do:

Print and cut the pieces apart. Provide one puzzle for each small group.

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(Taxes)

Why did most people dislike Matthew?

(Tax collectors sometimes took more money than they needed to)

How did Jesus treat Matthew differently than other people did?

(Spent time with him; went to his house; invited Matthew to follow Him)

How did Matthew respond to Jesus' invitation?

(Accepted; had a huge party)

Why do you think Matthew was so surprised and excited about Jesus' invitation?

(Others didn't show him this kind of love or attention; he may have felt unworthy)

Did Matthew accept Jesus' invitation?

(Yes)

How did the Pharisees and teachers of the law act when they found out Jesus was partying with tax collectors?

(Complained to Jesus' disciples; asked why)

How did Matthew choose to celebrate?

(Threw a party; had Jesus and some other tax collectors come)

How did Jesus respond to the Pharisees and teachers of the law when they asked him why he spent time with tax collectors and sinners?

(Answers may vary but should point to Jesus loving and accepting others. "Healthy people don't need a doctor. Sick people do. I have not come to get those who think they are right with God to follow me. I have come to get sinners to turn away from their sins.")

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