

## Week 3 | Matt 8:22 – 11

### Day One

Pray + Read Matthew 8:1-22

To whom does Jesus demonstrate his healing power that the Jewish people would have seen as unclean?

Using today's passage, how would you show that faith is what Jesus desires?

What is the cost of this faith?

Looking back in Matthew, what does Jesus say we gain when we put our faith in Jesus (hint: Chapter 6)?

Prayer: Praise God for His free offer of salvation. Ask God to grow in you a faith that saves, a faith that acts on what you believe. Thank God for His mercy and healing power to everyone, especially the weak and vulnerable.

### Day Two

Pray + Read Matthew 8:23-9:8

When have you felt afraid like the disciples?

How does Jesus show he has control over the physical and spiritual forces of this world?

How does Jesus show he values healing our souls over our bodies?

Prayer: Acknowledge that Jesus is Lord over everything, our thoughts, feelings, spirit and actions. Ask that they may be conformed to His will through the Holy Spirit. Thank Jesus that He heals us from the inside out.

## Day Three

Pray + Read Matthew 9:9–9:38

What does Jesus mean when he teaches that He desires mercy and not sacrifice?

How is the importance of faith shown by the sick woman and the blind men?

Why is Jesus called the son of David? Why is this particularly relevant in Matthew's gospel?

How do you respond to Jesus' commission to ask for more workers in the harvest field? Who in your life could be a worker for Jesus?

Prayer: Ask God for a heart that turns to God rather than actions and sayings. Praise God for how he can change hearts from stone to flesh. Thank God for how He has moved in your life and started to sanctify you. Pray for one person by name who you plan to call to work for Jesus.

## Day Four

Pray + Read Matthew 10

What is the message the disciples (and by extension us) are instructed to proclaim?

What is the fate of those who reject Jesus' disciples? How does that make you feel?

What priority does Jesus say He should be in the disciple's life?

What parts of this chapter challenge you? Write down 3 verses to work on this week so that you can continue to be intentionally changed to live according to God's will.

Prayer: Ask God for help with the three verses so that you can be sanctified by His Word. Praise God that He is the one who can truly satisfy your desires. Give thanks that God gives us the truth to proclaim and clear instructions on how to proclaim it.

## Day Five

Pray + Read Matthew 11

What do you think Jesus means when He says whoever is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than John the Baptist?

What will Jesus do when He comes for the second time (on the day of Judgment)?

Using Chapter 11, demonstrate how we have a relationship with God the Father through Jesus (the Son).

How do you feel knowing that Jesus takes your burden and will give you rest? How will you intentionally rest in Jesus today?

Prayer: Psalm 62. Ponder on salvation. Tell God what you think about it. Ponder on Judgement Day. Tell God what you think about it.