

Dear Friends,

Over the weekend we were encouraged by *the Call of Hope* found in Matthew chapter 9:9-13. In the passage Jesus calls the least likely person in the first century, to follow him. Matthew, a tax collector, was considered a sinner beyond God's reach, beyond God's care, beyond God's love. That's when Jesus turns everything upside down through *the Call of Hope*. Matthew rises up to follow Jesus.

This is my prayer for you this week dear friend, that through *the Call of Hope* you will experience, as did Matthew, Christ's compassion, invitation and restoration; and that in response, you will rise up and follow him.

Blessings,

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