



Living Life in 3D

“A Follower of Jesus Christ”

Sermon #3 Study Guide – Living Life in 3D

Matthew 9:9-13

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How to Use This Study Guide: This guide can be used by individuals, families, & small groups to gain a deeper understanding of God’s Word. Each section is organized in these areas: **D.E.E.P** = Discuss Sermon, Exchange Views, Examine Text, and Personalize Truth.

Discuss Sermon

- Living Life in 3D is a principle that can only be fully appreciated by followers of Christ. One example of this type of life was found in General William Booth who was once asked, “What is the Secret of your success for the Lord?” This was his response, I will tell you the secret. God has had all there was of me. There have been men with greater brains than I, men with greater opportunities; but from the day I got the poor of London on my heart, and a vision of what Jesus Christ could do with the poor of London, I made up my mind that God would have all of William Booth there was. And if there is anything of power in the Salvation Army today, it is because God has all the adoration of my heart, all the power of my will, and all the influence of my life.
- What does it mean to be a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ?
- What do we learn from the calling of Matthew that challenges us to see the world from a “3D Perspective”?

Exchange Views

The famous pianist Ignace Paderewski practiced many hours every day. When he was asked why, he replied, “If I fail to practice one day, I notice it. If I fail to practice two days, the critics notice it. If I fail to practice three days, everyone notices it.” Constant vigilance and service for the Lord are necessary if a person is to use his or her talents effectively.

- Who are the people that God has brought into your life that are forsaken or forgotten by others around us? How can you more effectively minister to these people?

Examine Text – Matthew 9:9-13

Read the main text from the sermon and reflect on the key words, phrases, and lessons that God is teaching us.

The command, **Follow Me** (in the Greek an adverb of place expressing a command), literally means “come here.” The term *after* is used in the original to show the place they are to come: “Your place is following after Me!”

- What are the key lessons that you learn from this text?
- How can you apply these principles in your life today?

Personalize Truth

- What are two ways that you can more effectively live your life in “3D” as a follower of Jesus Christ?
- How can you live out the “3M Challenge” during the remainder of this month?
 - **Be the Messenger**
 - **Be the Merciful**
 - **Be the Missionary**

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