

Shrek video clip

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Gz8d4Kay84>







# The Manifestation of Jesus

Friend ... *of Sinners*

# Luke 5:27 - 32

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Then Levi held a great banquet for Jesus at his house, and a large crowd of tax collectors and others were eating with them. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law who belonged to their sect complained to the disciples, “Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and ‘sinners’?”

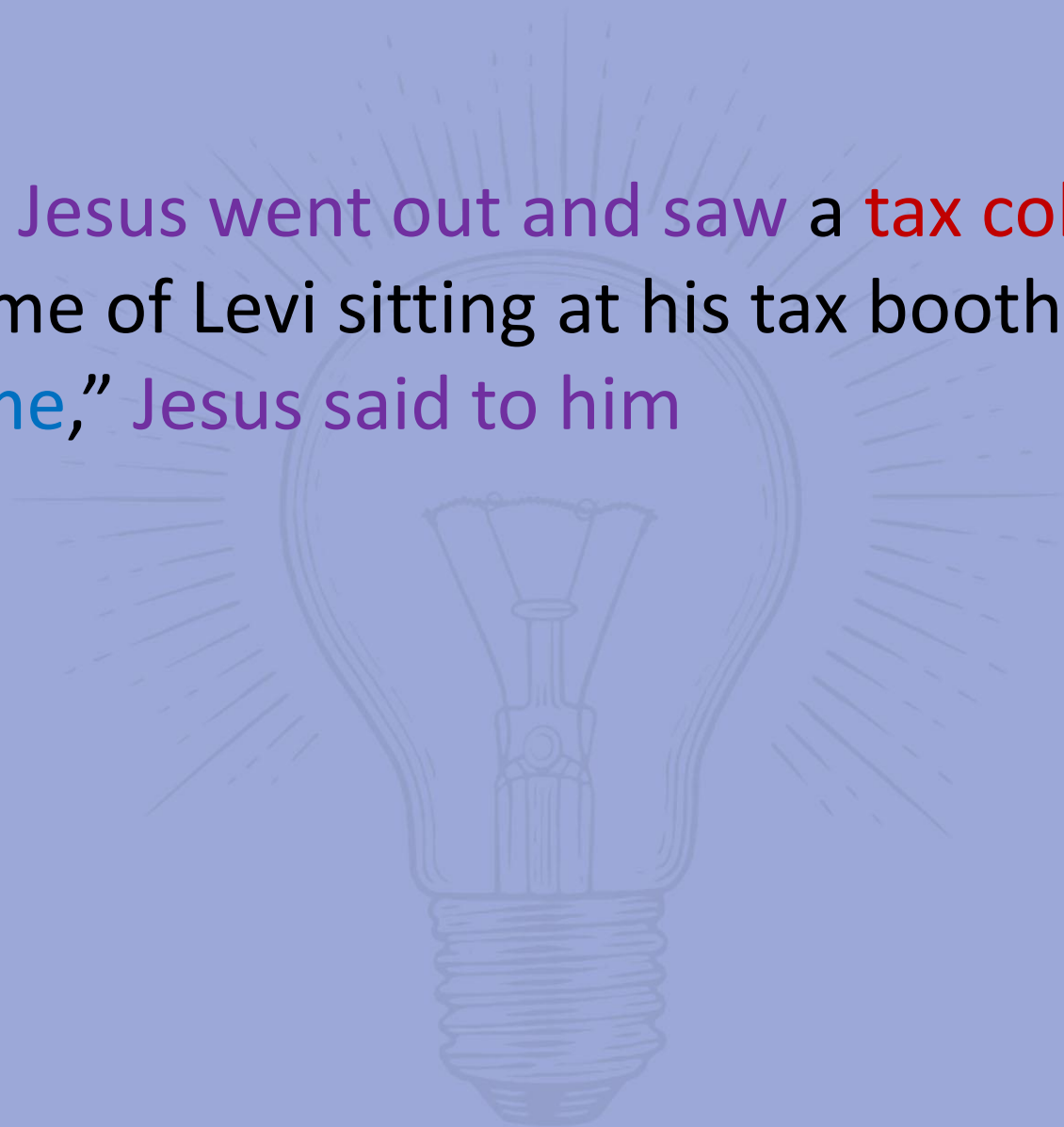
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Jesus gets involved...

sinners, drunkards, morally bankrupt, prostitutes, ...

Simple command, direct, succinct, to the point,  
not-technical, no strings attached

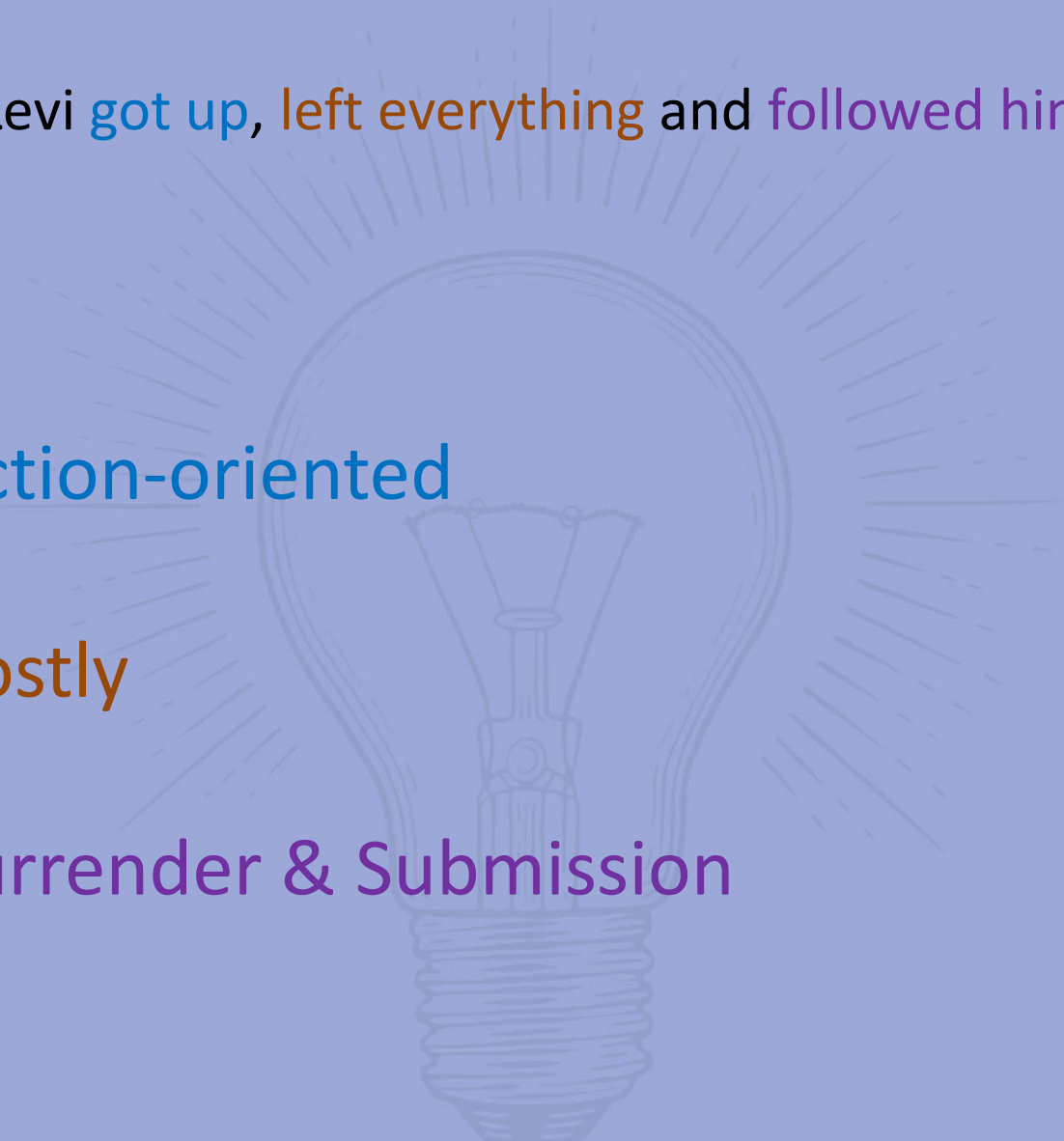
## Verse 28

...and Levi got up, left everything and followed him.

Action-oriented

Costly

Surrender & Submission



## Verse 29

Then Levi held a **great banquet** for Jesus at **his house**, and a **large crowd** of **tax collectors** and others were **eating with them**.

**Celebration**

**Costly (Time and Money)**

**More sinners in attendance**

**Table fellowship**



## Verse 30

But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law **who belonged to their sect** complained to the disciples, “Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and ‘sinners’?”

Morally upright, self-righteous, legalistic

Rule followers

disagreed as to Jesus’ choice of tablemates

**Possibly stuck in their own ways or traditions (likely not important to Jesus)**

## Verses 31-2

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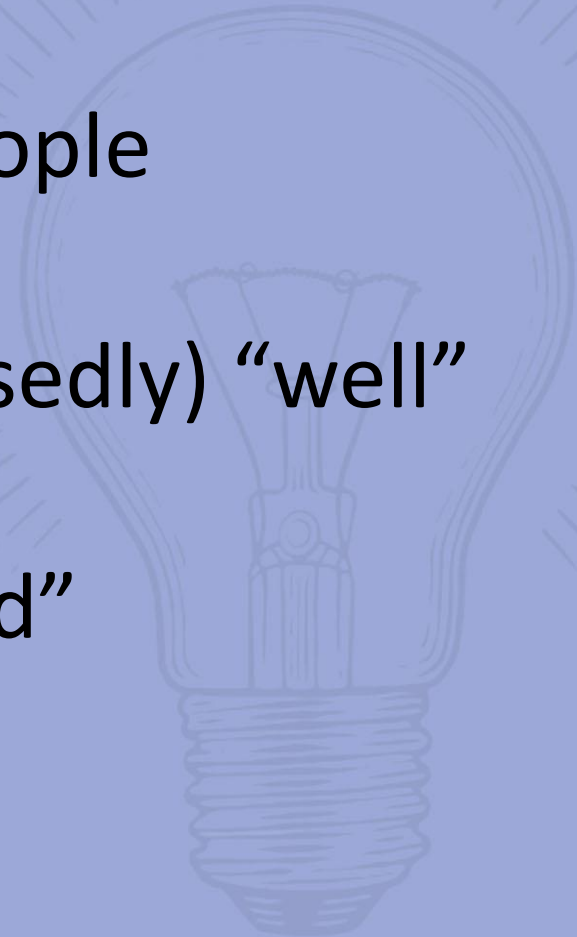
addresses their questions/complaints

counter-culture

sickness (sin) must be exposed in order to experience healing

Jesus recognizes three kinds of people in this story.

- Sick people
- (supposedly) “well”
- “healed”



Skit Guys Video, Sticky Jesus

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jq5VGhLKuik>

The **manifestation of Jesus** occurs in us when we AVOID

sectarianism

(being isolated from those outside the church)

syncretism

(being so “in-sync” with our culture that we bring nothing of value to it )

The **manifestation of Jesus** occurs in  
us when we EMBRACE

being Missional



**UNDESERVED**

unpredictable

spontaneous

unusual

authentic

**JESUS**

unscripted

lavish

**generous**

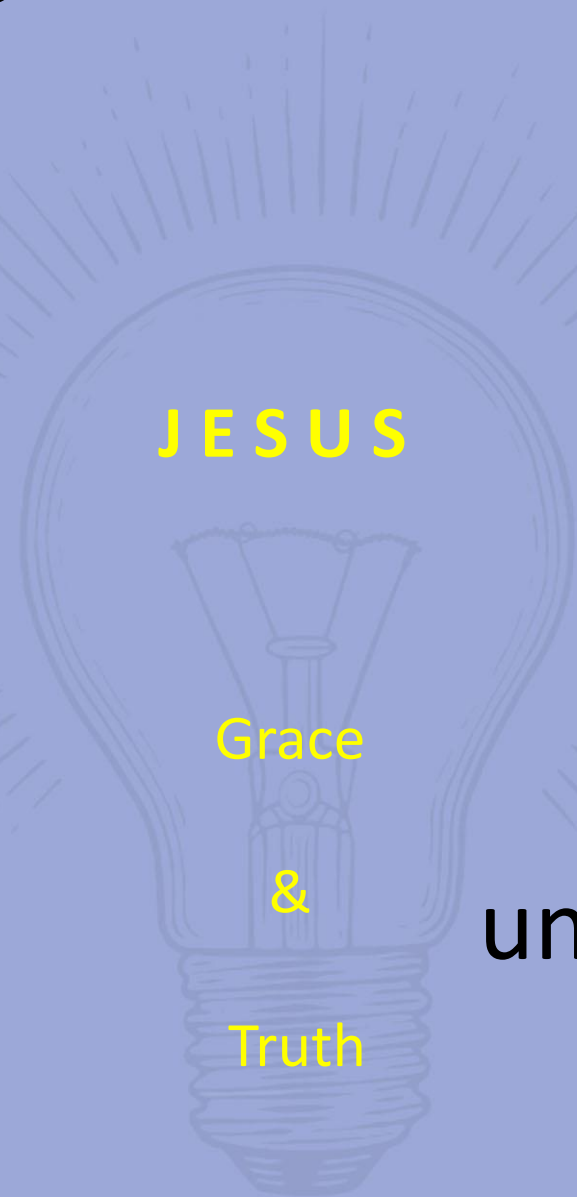
Grace

&

uncomfortable

**unexpected**

Truth



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Practice What Jesus Practiced...

- Prayer Stalking
- Sensitive to the Holy Spirit
- Authentic Involvement in people's lives



