Sermon Review March 24, 2024 "He Came for The Suffering and Sin Sick Soul"

Luke 5:27-31

All of us, no matter who we are have ailments. Physically, we just don't feel good, and our bodies suffer, and we sometimes just cannot move on. We have spiritual ailments too, which we call sin. Sin makes us sick and attempts to separate us from our faith in God and our relationship with God our creator. Jesus in His effort comes to the world as a remedy for those who need healing across the spectrum of our lives both physically and spiritually. The history of Jesus tells of physically healing people such as the woman with and issue of blood, the man that sat by the pool who could not walk as well as the man who was blind and could not see. There are even more stories about the physical healing that Jesus did. But Jesus also came for those who were wrestling like all of us with bad attitudes, habits and behaviors that are unpleasing to God. We call it sin sick. As Jesus begins His ministry and recruitment of disciples, He selects a man by the name of Levi who was a tax collector. There is very little positive information that anyone would give about a tax collector and him becoming a disciple. Levi however accepts the call of Jesus on his life and celebrates with a banquet and he invites the community, other tax collectors and even the religious leaders such as the pharisees. They questioned Jesus about being with those they called sinners. Those who suffer with the ailments of life. These are the very ones Jesus came to see about. The very ones he came to heal. Jesus proclaimed, it is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick and in particularly the sin sick. Thank God Jesus has come to see us as patients with a healing for us all. We all are sick in one form or another, thank God Jesus came to heal us.

Be Blessed.

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