

FOLLOWING WHO???

Luke 5:27-39

His Momma named him Levi but Jesus called him _____

So Moses wrote this law and gave it to the priests, the sons of Levi who carried the ark of the covenant of the Lord...Deut. 31:9

As Jesus went on from there, He saw a man called Matthew, sitting in the tax collector's booth; and He said to him, "Follow Me!" And he got up and followed Him. Matt. 9:9

Matthew chooses to see himself as Jesus sees him and will only say about himself what Jesus says about him.

Matthew- Gift of God (Easton's)

Meeting Jesus Leads to a Big Party (vv. 29-30)

Levi walked away from _____

Matthew Follows _____ and brings his _____

The Disciples of John and the Disciples of Jesus (vv. 30-39)

John the Baptist's Disciples also show up at the Party

John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting: and they came and said to Him, "Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?" Mark 2:18

In Luke 5, John is in prison, his ministry is _____

He (Herod) shut up John in prison. Luke 3:20

John saw Jesus coming to him and said, Look! There is the Lamb of God, Who takes away the sin of the world! John 1:29

...they came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, He who was with you beyond the Jordan, to whom you have borne witness, behold, He is baptizing, and all are coming to Him." John answered and said, "A man can receive nothing, unless it has been given him from heaven. ... "He must increase, but I must decrease. John 3:26-30

At this point John's Disciples should be following _____

Not Following Jesus we find John's Disciples:

Trying to keep a _____ going

There was a time when People flocked to John's Ministry

Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the country round about the Jordan went out to him (John); And they were baptized in the Jordan by him, confessing their sins. Matt 3:5-6

Holding on to what God _____ doing but sadly, missing what God _____ doing

Critical of _____ God is reaching (v. 30)

Not _____ with _____ of people (v. 30)

Critical of _____ God is reaching people

Equating Spirituality with _____ (vv. 30&33)

Having a Higher standard than _____ (v. 33)

... and you will give him the name John. "And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth "For he will be great in the sight of the Lord, and he will drink no wine or liquor; and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, while yet in his mother's womb. Luke 1:11-15

The Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by all her children." Luke 7:34-35

Separate to the point of being completely _____

Jesus' Disciples:

Were taught that people need _____

And Jesus answered and said to them, "It is not those who are well who need a physician, but those who are sick "I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance." Luke 5:31-32

Were taught that To Reach nonreligious people you have to _____

Jesus' Point: Not trying to Patch Up the Old System (v. 36)

"No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch will pull away from the garment, making the tear worse. Matt 9:16