



TODAY'S MESSAGE:

How Healthy Is Your Soul?

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Mark 2:13-17 (NIV)

Once again Jesus went out beside the lake. A large crowd came to him, and he began to teach them. As he walked along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," Jesus told him, and Levi got up and followed him. While Jesus was having dinner at Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were eating with him and his disciples, for there were many who followed him. When the teachers of the law who were Pharisees saw him eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they asked his disciples: "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?" On hearing this, Jesus said to them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

How healthy is your soul?

A Healthy Soul Test: How much love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control are evident in your life?

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Reflection Questions:

- 1) How healthy is your soul...really?
- 2) How much love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control are evident in your life?
- 3) How would other people who know you answer that question?
- 4) Why is pride the enemy of Jesus meeting our need?
- **5)** Respond to this statement: When we think we are enough, we don't leave room for Jesus to be enough.
- 6) How specifically do you need Jesus to be enough for your sick soul right now?



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