

*life*Lines Guide
Unexpected: Followers
Traitor

WORD

Read [Matthew 9:9-13](#)

What is the difference between how the Pharisees and Jesus see tax collectors?

Is there a group or category of sin that our society sees as “disreputable” or “scum”? Is there a category of people or sin that you see that way?

How do verses 12-13 encourage you? Challenge you?

PRAY

Ask God to show you the people you have labeled as “other”, and where you have seen them or even treated them as “disreputable” or “scum”, and ask for forgiveness. Ask God to show you how you can welcome people like Jesus did, and Ask God to help.

LOVE

Brainstorm, with the group, how and who you can welcome to help them feel valued and equal.

