

SERMON NOTES

Kingdom Connection: The Book of Matthew Matthew 8:18-22; 9:9 / The Call to Follow

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- The one who has Authority to Heal and Forgive Has the Authority to Call Us to Follow Him With Life-altering, Whole-hearted Commitment
- "Son of Man" summarizes His Ministry and Power

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- Personal Stability and Success (8:19-20)
- Family Loyalties (8:21-22)
- Occupation/Money (9:9)
- Old Systems of Religious Boundaries and Rules (9:10-17)

Where will this Commitment to Jesus take us?

Into Hard Storms

that He controls with Peace (8:23-34)

• To Hard People

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The Call to Follow Jesus

- 1. Count the Cost
- 2. Celebrate the Good News (both for ourselves and others)
- 3. Commit to the Journey (long obedience; day-to-day faith)

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