

Chapter 2 (13 - 17)

Jesus went again to the Sea of Galilee.
Many people came to him and he taught them
there by the sea

Near the sea he saw a tax collector Levi (Matthew)
working at the customs house.
Jesus said to him "Follow me".
He got up and followed him

Levi gave a dinner in his house for Jesus. Sitting
with Jesus were some tax collectors and "sinners"

In fact Jesus' followers included many tax
collectors and "sinners"

Some religious leaders asked Jesus' disciples
"Why does he eat with tax collectors and
'sinners'?"

Jesus himself answered them: "It is not the
healthy who need the doctor, but the sick.
I did not come to call the virtuous, but sinners"

Jesus, thank you for being a friend
of people who are rejected and despised