



**Sermon Notes – Steve Southards – 8/6/2023**

***Matthew 9:9***

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at his tax collector's booth. "Follow me and be my disciple," Jesus said to him. So Matthew got up and followed him.

***Titus 1:16***

Such people claim they know God, they deny him by the way they live.

**I believe God is real but I don't really have a relationship with Him.**

***Matthew 7:21-22***

Not everyone who calls out to me, 'Lord! Lord!' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter. On judgment day many will say to me, 'Lord! Lord! We prophesied in your name and cast out demons in your name and performed many miracles in your name.'

***Matthew 7:23***

But I will reply, 'I never knew you. Get away from me, you who break God's laws.'

**I believe God is real and barely has a relationship with Him.**

**I believe God is real and I know Him personally and follow Him with great devotion.**

***Psalms 34:1-10***

I will always thank the Lord; I will never stop praising him. I will praise him for what he has done; may all who are oppressed listen and be glad! Proclaim with me the Lord's greatness; let us praise his name together! I prayed to the Lord, and he answered me; he freed me from all my fears. The oppressed look to him and are glad; they will never be disappointed. The helpless call to him, and he answers; he saves them from all their troubles. His angel guards those who honor the Lord and rescues them from danger. Find out for yourself how good the Lord is. Happy are those who find safety with him. Honor the Lord, all his people; those who obey him have all they need. Even lions go hungry for lack of food, but those who obey the Lord lack nothing good.