Expectations

1. Bring your bible
2. Pre-Fill Your Questions
3. Confidintiality is essential
4. Make Your Community Group a Priority

Other passages that were used in the sermon

- ***John 18:36a-Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world.***
- ***Romans 4:17b-This happened because Abraham believed in the God who brings the dead back to life and who creates new things out of nothing.***

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Community Group Questions
Sunday November 13th

The Upside Down Kingdom-Unlikely people

1. Who is your craziest relative? Share a story

Read– Matthew 1:1, 9:9-12

2. God calls (invites) unlikely people into His Kingdom everyday. Who are those in your life that seem unlikely to receive Jesus? Were you one that others called unlikely?

3. If it was not customary to list women and/or notorious sinners in your genealogy then why do you think Matthew listed both when explaining the line of Jesus? (*Rahab was a prostitute, Ruth was not Jewish, Tamar seduced her father in law and Bathsheba committed adultery.)*

4. Many barriers could have held Matthew back from following Jesus Christ. What are some of the potential barriers in your life that have the potential to keep you from actively following Jesus?

5. Discuss this statement from Jesus from Matthew 9:13. "For I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners."

6. Why do you think Matthew invited all of his "sinner" friends to have dinner with Jesus? How can we do a better job placing ourselves in the midst of sinners who are looking for hope?

*If you took the spiritual gifts test last week take time to share your results.

Prayer-Stop talking and pray