



## Message Outline

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Matt 9:10-13; Hosea 6:6

# “God Helps Those Who Help Themselves”

SERIES: *And other Stuff Jesus Never Said*

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## ❏ THERE IS A self-made, do-it-myself, I got this TENDENCY IN ALL OF US

- We don't like to feel needy
- We don't want to seem lazy
- We prefer a God who simply blesses our efforts

## ❏ SO WE MUST LEARN THIS:

- We need Jesus to be our Spiritual Doctor
- Jesus values relationship over independence
- Jesus wants us to put receiving ahead of achieving



## HomeGroup Questions

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1. Why is the expression, “*God Helps Those Who Help Themselves,*” so attractive to people? Where do you see the self-made, do-it-myself, I got this tendency in you?
2. Read Matt 9:10-13 and review the outline. What would you like to comment on from the passage and/or message?
3. What problem did the Pharisees have with Jesus in this passage? What was Jesus trying to communicate with His answer?
4. What does it mean that Jesus came for sinners not the righteous?
5. In what ways did the Pharisees embody the expression, “*God Helps Those Who Help Themselves,*”?
6. What does it mean that Jesus is our spiritual doctor? Does that mean He will always heal us? If not, what does it mean?
7. Doug said, “It is accurate that God usually wants us to step out in faith in conjunction with His help.” How do we take initiative in life without growing independent? In other words, how do we ensure we are acting in relationship with the Lord?
8. Explain in your own words what “Jesus wants us to put receiving ahead of achieving” means.
9. How can your group pray for you?