



JESUS the MESSIAH

IN THE BOOK OF MATTHEW

A Moving Forward Messiah

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**As Jesus moves forward, He calls us to
follow Him.**

- **No One Like Him**
- **What Makes Him Unique**
- **His Invitation to Us**

No One Like Him

- Both pairs of brothers immediately leave everything to follow Jesus
- Following Jesus involved big sacrifices and risks, but they did it without hesitating
- Jesus is utterly unique among anyone who ever lived

What Makes Him Unique

- His Teaching
 - God's Kingdom - "Wherever God is King"
 - The necessary response to God's Kingdom coming near: Repent
 - Repentance - Turning away from things that keep us from God and turning to God instead
 - Repentance is something Jesus says to keep doing continuously every day

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What Makes Him Unique

- His Healing
 - The Holy Spirit bears witness through the healings that Jesus really has been sent by God
 - Jesus' healing supports His teaching

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His Invitation to Us

- The invitation: “Follow me”
- Following Jesus still involves sacrifice
- Jesus’ character shows He is worth following
- The transformation of His previous followers shows He’s worth following
- The invitation comes with a promise: If we’ll follow Him, He’ll work through us to bless our world

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