

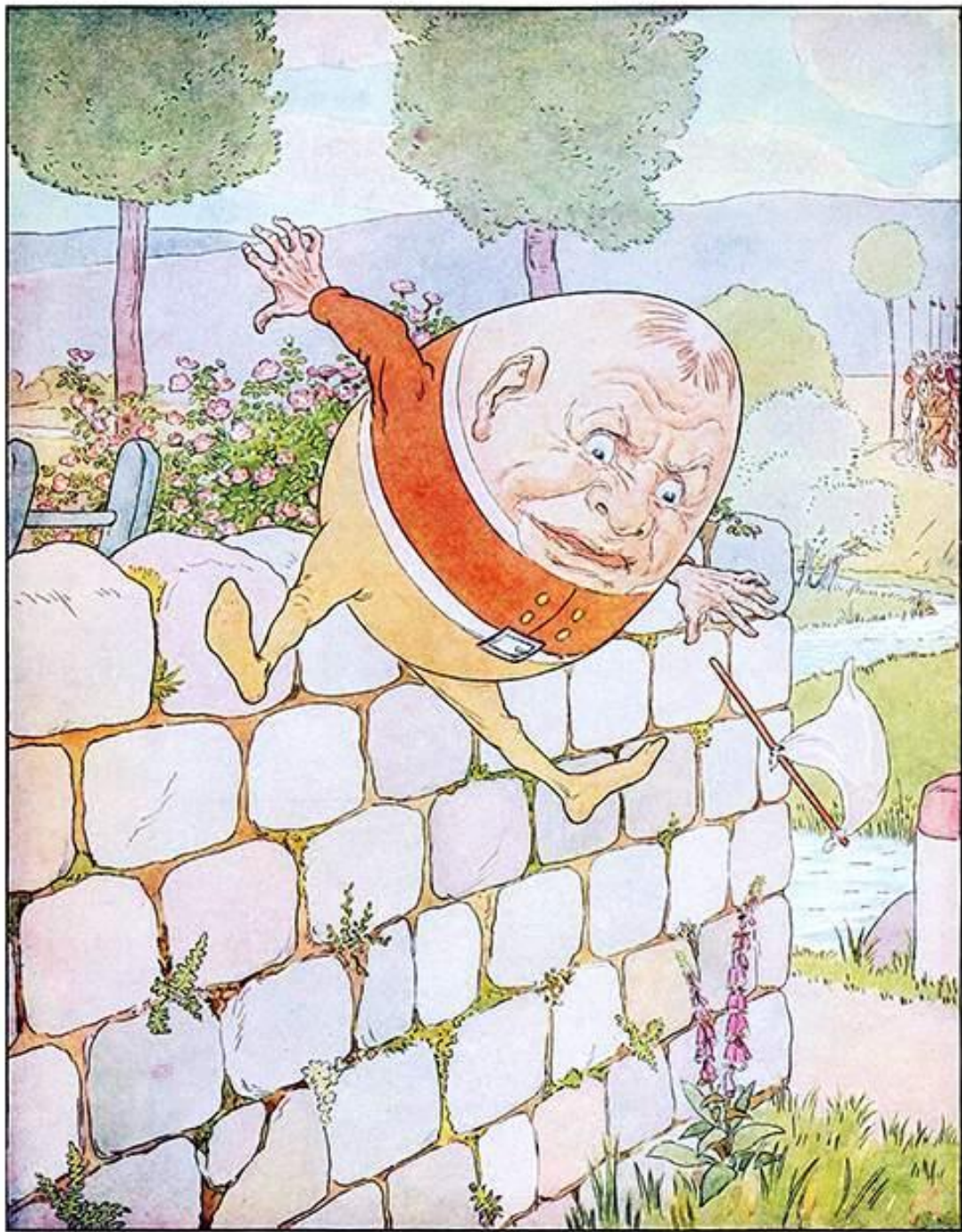
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# **Matthew 9:9-13**

**9 As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him.**

**10 And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples.**



# Matthew 9:9-13

**11 And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?”**

**12 But when he heard it, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 13 Go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”**

# **“A Man Named Matthew”**

Matthew 9:9-13

**When we truly follow  
King Jesus we are  
eternally transformed  
by His grace.**











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II. Like Matthew we became **SAINTS**, transformed by the grace of Jesus. (vv.9, 12)

III. Like Matthew we are called to be **SPOKESMEN**, sharing the grace of Jesus with others. (vv. 10-13)

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# St. Matthew: The Publican

- He is known by two names: Levi and Matthew
- The most notorious sinner of the 12 apostles who converted
- He is a man of humility
  - Even in his own Gospel account, he only mentions his name twice
- He was a Publican or Tax Collector





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## **1 Corinthians 1:26-29**

**26 For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. 27 But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; 28 God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, 29 so that no human being might boast in the presence of God.**



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## **Romans 12:1-2**

**I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.<sup>2</sup> Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind...**



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## 1 Peter 3:15-16

*<sup>15</sup> but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,*



## Hosea 6:6

**<sup>6</sup> For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,  
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.**







## **The Calling of St. Matthew**

by Hendrick ter Brugghen, c. 1621

