Inhabitants ask him to leave

Controversy Develops (ch 9)

Healing a Paralytic (1-8)

Jesus forgives his sins
Scribes complain: this is blasphemy!

Jesus gives visible evidence of his invisible power
Lesson: Jesus' claim to supported by miracle

Calling of Matthew (9-13)

Tax collector called and comes

Matthew's friends (?) share dinner w/ Jesus

Pharisees complain: bad associations!

Jesus' response:

doctors associate with sick people

what does Hos 6:6 mean?

Jesus' mission to call sinners

Lesson: people of God not to be a ghetto

Question about Fasting (14-17)
Why don't Jesus' disciples fast?
Jesus:

not now appropriate
like mourning at a wedding
doesn't fit new situation
like new patch on old cloth
like new wine in old skin

Lessons: doesn't rule out fasting altogether, but different in new situation which has come

Jairus' Daughter and Bleeding Woman (18-26)
different concentration than Luke here
woman healed while on way
saved by trusting
Jesus sends off mourners & is ridiculed
little girl raised
news spread broadly
Lessons:

importance of faith
ridicule a hint of coming rejection?

Two Blind Men Healed (27-31)
done indoors rather than in public
story spread in spite of Jesus' warning

Healing a Dumb Man (32-34)
demonized, unique healing
Pharisees: must be Satanic healing!

Compassion of Jesus (35-38)