

## The Chiasm of Luke 5:27-28

A chiasm is a literary structure where vocabulary of the first section of a passage is repeated in the second. The center of the chiasm is typically the climax of the passage. In Luke 5:27-28 the center and climax is that Levi the tax collector whom we also know as Matthew left everything behind to follow Jesus (Luke 5:28a).

A After that He went out and noticed a tax collector named Levi sitting in the tax booth, and He said to **him**, "**Follow Me**." (v 27)

B And he left everything behind, (v 28a)

A' and got up and **began to follow Him**. (v 28b)