PRIEST LAKE COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

EMBRACE THE NEW

A Transforming Relationship with Jesus

LUKE 5:33–39

WEEK 2 STUDY GUIDE

Don't Patch What God Wants to Replace

Luke 5:36



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Read and Prepare

In Week 1, Jesus used a wedding to show why His presence mattered. In Week 2, He uses two garments to show why the new life He brings calls for deeper change.

LUKE 5:36 / KJV

And he spake also a parable unto them; No man putteth a piece of a new garment upon an old; if otherwise, then both the new maketh a rent, and the piece that was taken out of the new agreeth not with the old.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17 / KJV

Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

Read Luke 5:33–39 for context. Download the PDF before typing, then save and reopen your copy to check your responses. You can also print it and write by hand.

Name

Date

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Observe the Passage

I. The Old Garment Was Already Torn

Jesus describes a repair that damages the new garment and leaves a patch that does not match the old. Pastor Davidson uses this image to explore a problem that runs deeper than outward behavior.

1. What is taken from the new garment? What happens to the new garment, and how does the patch fit the old one?

2. When have you tried to change a behavior without dealing with what was driving it? What did that experience show you?

STUDY NOTE

In the KJV, a “rent” is a tear. “Agreeth not” means the piece does not match or fit.

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Understand the Message

II. Jesus Refuses Temporary Fixes

The desire for relief is understandable. Jesus offers redemption and renewal that reach the heart of the problem. Read 2 Corinthians 5:17 alongside Luke 5:36.

3. In 2 Corinthians 5:17, what does Paul say is true of someone who is “in Christ”? What has passed away?

4. Where are you asking God for relief? What deeper change might you also ask Him to make in you?

DISCUSS

Think of a recurring conflict. What could change if Christ renewed the way you respond when you feel hurt?

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Connect Faith and Life

III. God Wants a New Creation

Pastor Davidson describes renewal in four areas: a new heart, purpose, identity, and life. Read 2 Corinthians 5:17 again and consider how being in Christ can shape ordinary choices.

5. Which area do you most need to bring before God right now? What would renewal look like in that area?

6. How might your identity in Christ change one decision, conversation, or relationship this week?

REFLECT

Name one old assumption about yourself. What truth from 2 Corinthians 5:17 can you remember when that assumption returns?

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Respond and Apply

Ask God to show you where you have been settling for a temporary fix. Then choose a specific step that reflects the new life Christ gives you.

7. What pattern do you want to surrender to Christ? What tends to trigger it, and how could you respond differently?

8. Complete this sentence: “This week, with God’s help, I will…” Name the action, when you’ll begin, and who can encourage you.

PRAY

Jesus, show me where I keep reaching for a patch. Renew my heart and help me take the next step in the new life You give. Amen.

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Reflect and Look Ahead

What truth from Luke 5:36 or 2 Corinthians 5:17 do you want to carry into the week?

My prayer, notes, or question for follow-up

NEXT WEEK / WEEK 3

New Wine Requires New Wineskins

Read Luke 5:37–39. What happens when new wine is put into old bottles? Why might someone still prefer the old?

Based on Pastor Charlie Davidson’s sermon-series outline. Scripture quotations are from the King James Version.