



Luke 5:33-39

Introduction:

*Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. (Psalm 51:10 & 12)*

Matthew 5:6

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

- Last passage of Luke 5

As we finish off Chapter 5 today let's pause, ponder and reflect on this amazing chapter.

It opens up with Jesus calls Peter and he left everything to follow Jesus (Luke 5:1-11).

Jesus has the power to heal a man with leprosy (Luke 5:12-16).

Jesus forgives and heals a paralyzed man (Luke 5:17-26). **"Friends, your sins are forgiven".**

Jesus heart of forgiveness.

Jesus calls Levi he left everything and followed him (5:27-32).

Are we willing to be a follower of Jesus?

Are we willing to be All In for Jesus?

Is there anything I need to let go so I can leave everything to follow Jesus?

Our passage this morning Luke 5:33-39 – Jesus Questioned About Fasting

What is the state of our heart this morning?

I believe God has a new thing he wants to do in Fairfield Baptist Church.

Isaiah 43:19

See, I am doing a new thing! It springs up;

Lord, speak to us this morning.

Reading: Luke 5:33-39 (Matthew 9:14-17, Mark 2:18-22)

Jesus Questioned About Fasting

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³⁵ But the time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them; in those days they will fast.”

³⁶ He told them this parable: “No one tears a piece out of a new garment to patch an old one. Otherwise, they will have torn the new garment, and the patch from the new will not match the old. ³⁷ And no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the new wine will burst the skins; the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. ³⁸ No, new wine must be poured into new wineskins. ³⁹ And no one after drinking old wine wants the new, for they say, ‘The old is better.’”

Celebrate your new life in Christ (Luke 5:33-35)

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- Jesus questioned about fasting
- Jesus answered is a teaching moment
- Jesus the great teacher

From fasting to feasting!

Fasting: Afflicting of one soul

Pharisees fasting twice a week and they do it to be seen

What does the Bible say about fasting?

Isaiah 58:4-8

Your fasting ends in quarrelling and strife, and in striking each other with wicked fists. You cannot fast as you do today and expect your voice to be heard on high.

⁵ Is this the kind of fast I have chosen, only a day for people to humble themselves?

Is it only for bowing one’s head like a reed and for lying in sackcloth and ashes? Is that what you call a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? ⁶ “Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen:

to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke,

to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? ⁷ Is it not to share your food with the

hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter— when you see the naked, to

clothe them, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood?

⁸ Then your light will break forth like the dawn,

and your healing will quickly appear;

then your righteousness^[a] will go before you,

and the glory of the LORD will be your rear guard.

Matthew 6:16-18

“When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ¹⁷ But

when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, ¹⁸ so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who

sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

- Jesus was feasting with his disciples
- They are with the Messiah and they need to celebrate

Hint of his death and resurrection and ascension to heaven!

“But someday the groom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast”

Celebrate our new life in Christ!

John 3:29

The bride belongs to the bridegroom. The friend who attends the bridegroom waits and listens for him, and is full of joy when he hears the bridegroom’s voice. That joy is mine, and it is now complete.

- Rejoice in the Lord
- Rejoice and sing joy for the salvation is ours
- Tell others about our Jesus

“That joy is mine it is now complete”

- Thank you Jesus

As we celebrate our new life in Christ we enter to an intimate relationship with our GOD!

Intimate relationship with God

Zephaniah 3:17

The LORD your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing.”

James 4:8

Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

Philippians 3:10

I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death.

Psalms 27:4

One thing I ask from the Lord, this only I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.

- Get to know God more and more
- Spend time with
- Meditate in His word

Luke 5:36

He told them this parable: “No one tears a piece out of a new garment to patch an old one. Otherwise they will have torn the new garment, and the patch from the new will not match the old”.

The old is gone the NEW is here

Then he explained about his new way of life. He was not and would not be a part of the old Jewish tradition. To make Him a part of the old tradition would be like putting a patch of new – unshrunk cloth on an old garment. When it got wet whether, rained on or washed the patch would shrink and tear the garment and the resulting hole would be bigger and worse than it was to begin with.

2 Corinthians 5:17

The old has gone the new is here!

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:^[a] The old has gone, the new is here!

- Jesus didn't come to patch up the old system, but to bring something brand new!
- He was a new way of thinking. He was a new way of acting. He was a new way of living. He was a new way of thinking about God
- Let go of the old because the NEW is here!

Romans 7:6

But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code.

- Serve in the new way of the Spirit.
- Jesus died for us once and for all, fully paid, no more slave to sin and the law we are free in Christ. Enjoy our new life in Christ

Luke 5:37-39

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NEW WINE = NEW WINESKIN

Wineskins were goatskin sewn together at the edges to form watertight bags. Because new wine expands as it ages, it had to be put in the new wineskins. An old wineskin, having become more rigid, would burst and spill the wine.

- Like old wineskins the Pharisees were too rigid to accept Jesus.
- They hardened their heart.
- Kept judging others.

Wine was the most common drink for people in that day. As the new wine fermented and expanded, it would stretch the new wineskins. Putting new (unfermented) wine in old, wineskins, which had already been stretched and already dried out, would result in a catastrophe. The wineskins would break and both wine and skin would be lost.

- New wine must be poured into new wineskins
- The new message about Christ must be poured into new wineskins
- Let the new message about Christ stretch our faith
- Store the fresh message about Christ in a new wineskins
- We need to keep our heart pliable so we can accept Jesus life-changing message.

Application:

Are we willing to be new wineskin?

Are there old things and old ways of life we need to let go so that the new wine will be poured into new wineskins?

Lord I'm willing, send me, stretch me, use me, do something fresh in and through my life.

My testimony, my story:

I'm the youngest of three girls. When mom was giving birth to me, while she was in labour the nurse told my dad they are going to have a son. My dad rejoicing in the news that he is going to have a son. He went outside of the birthing room and pray. "Lord I thank you for my son, use him for your glory he is your servant". After mom gave birth the nurse told my dad I am really sorry it's a girl. Dad prayed again "Lord you can still use her for your glory, she is your servant". Today, I am the living testimony of that prayer. Our God is faithful. I am sinner saved by his grace.

The reason why I am sharing this because this morning I just want to offer my life again to God, He will make me a new wineskin that his new wine will be poured into and stretch my faith.

Lord renew me, use me, do something fresh in and through me.

Are we willing to be a vessel that God will use as an instrument to advance his kingdom?

And when before the throne
I stand in him complete
Jesus died my soul to save
My lips shall still repeat

Jesus paid it all
All to him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow
Oh He washed
Yeah He washed it white as snow

PRAISE GOD!