

We're glad you've chosen to worship with us! If you're here for the first time, you are our special guest. Fill out the information on the other side of this card and visit The Landing (located just outside the sanctuary in the main hall) where we have a gift for you!

Welcome to Southside Baptist Church!

SHARING JESUS IN 30 WORDS -- BEGINS MARCH 17 --

Join Pastor Gary for a discussion on how to effectively share the Gospel in 30 words. We will use the book *Reunion* by Bruxy Cavey as the basis for our conversation. You can attend this weekly event in person or online, but you must register in advance. The group will begin on Wednesday, March 17, and will meet each Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:45 p.m., through April 28.

VIP TRAINING -- MARCH 20, 9:00 A.M. --

Interested in our new guest services team? Join us for this special training on Saturday, March 20. Email Darren@ssbc.org for more information.

DISCOVERING SOUTHSIDE -- MARCH 28, 9:15 A.M. --

Looking for a new church can be difficult. We have created an environment for people wanting to know more about Southside – who we are, what we believe and how we work. This no-pressure introduction to Southside is intended to help you in your process of finding a church that is right for you.



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Unclean! Gary Lee Webber March 7, 2021

Social distancing and mask mandates have made us all more aware of the potential for contamination. In Bible times, people who were infected with various diseases were required to yell, "Unclean!" as they made their way in public. Masks, social distancing, and yelling "unclean" are all motivated by the same idea -- unhealthy people contaminate healthy people. It doesn't work the other way around. A sick person doesn't get well because they are touched by a healthy person ... unless that person is Jesus. Join us for part two of *Jesus, Friend of Sinners* as we learn how Jesus reverses the polarity of sin, sickness, and death.

Passage (read it):

Luke 5:12-16

Principles (know them):

Only Jesus reverses the _____ of _____.

- Our sin doesn't contaminate Him; His holiness purifies us.
- 1 Peter 2:24
- Enemy's lie and the message of religion: get cleaned up and then come to God.

Jesus wants to enter into our _____, not to be shut up in our _____.

- A God who has to be protected from the filth and disgusting reality of your sin is not a god who can save you from it.
- Religion did not heal this man of his leprosy; religion is what kept him isolated.

Jesus doesn't just make us _____, He restores us to _____.

Practices (do them):

What is the most disgusting, shameful, hidden part of you? Invite Jesus into that place.



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Jesus: Friend Of Sinners

I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance. Luke 5:32



Small Group Questions

Use this outline for personal reflection, as a couples or family devotion, or with a small group.

Southside's small groups focus on the neighborhoods in which we live. We have groups that meet on campus, online, and in homes across our city. Visit ssbc.org/SmallGroups to find yours!

HANGOUT (warming up to the topic):

1. During COVID, we've all been forced to keep physical distance, wear masks, and repeatedly wash our hands. How has our focus on staying well by avoiding "contamination" affected you? How do you think it is affecting our culture?

2. In what ways are the Old Testament purity laws like the current mask and social distancing mandates? *(For examples of Old Testament purity laws see Leviticus 15:19-21; Leviticus 11:24, and Numbers 9:11)*

HEAR (listening to God through Scripture):

3. Read Mark 5:21-24a.

- Would you call Jairus an insider or outsider? Why?
- What, specifically, does Jairus ask Jesus to do? What effect does Jairus believe that action will have?
- What does Jairus's request tell you about what Jairus believed about Jesus?

4. Read Mark 5:24b-34.

- Based on this encounter, do you think this woman was an insider or an outsider? Why?
- What was the disciples' response when Jesus asked who had touched Him? Why was this a logical response?
- Read Leviticus 15:19-27. Based on these verses, why was the woman trying to remain anonymous? What might she have thought when Jesus asked, "Who touched me?"
- Why might this woman and the crowd have been shocked by Jesus' response to the woman?
- How does this story demonstrate that Jesus "reverses the polarity" of sin, shame, and brokenness?

5. Read Mark 5:35-43.

- What happened to Jairus's daughter "in the meantime"? How might Jairus have felt about Jesus' delay along the way?
- What did Jesus do when He was in the room with the child?
- Read Numbers 19:11. Based on this verse, what should have happened as a result of Jesus touching the dead child? What happened instead? Could Jesus have healed the child without touching her? *(see John 11:43-44)* What does this tell you about Jesus?

6. How do these stories about Jesus relate to your experience with Him? What do these stories mean for people who follow Jesus?

HUDDLE (making it personal and praying together - in huddles):

7. How has Jesus touched the disgusting parts of you? Talk about it, invite accountability and pray together.

Daily Readings:

This week's readings will be from Romans 9-16 where Paul concludes his message about God's great redemptive plan to the Christians in Rome. As you read this week's passages, look for ways that Paul describes Jesus as the one who reverses the curse of sin and purifies us from our unrighteousness.

- Day 1: Romans 9**
- Day 2: Romans 10**
- Day 3: Romans 11**
- Day 4: Romans 12**
- Day 5: Romans 13**
- Day 6: Romans 14**
- Day 7: Romans 15-16**

← *tear here to use as a bookmark in your daily reading.*

Suggested Resources:

Books:

The Ragamuffin Gospel, by Brennan Manning
The End of Religion, by Bruxy Cavey
What's so Amazing About Grace?,
by Philip Yancey

Other sermon series at ssbc.org

Boundaries (2019)
Losing my Religion (2020)
30 Words (2018)

Let's Connect!

Sunday, March 7, 2021

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MEMBERS: Text CONNECT to 904-441-8650 to let us know you're with us today.

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