

A Compassionate Touch

Quest Book:
Chapter 19

Mark 1:40-45

A. The Posture of the Leper

1. The posture of desperation.

“A man with leprosy came to Him...” Mark 1:40a (NIV)

2. The posture of surrender.

“...and begged Him on his knees,” Mark 1:40b (NIV)

3. The posture of submission.

“‘If You are willing, You can make me clean’”.
Mark 1:40c (NIV)

B. The Compassion of the Messiah

1. Jesus was willing when no one else was.

“Jesus was indignant. He reached out His hand and touched the man. ‘I am willing,’ He said. ‘Be clean!’ Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cleaned.”

Mark 1:41-42 (NIV)

2. Jesus gave a strong warning to the new man.

“Jesus sent him away at once with a strong warning: ‘See that you don’t tell this to anyone. But go, show yourself to the priest and offer the sacrifices that Moses commanded for your cleansing, as a testimony to them.’”

Mark 1:43-44 (NIV)

3. The leper disobeyed Jesus.

“Instead he went out and began to talk freely, spreading the news. As a result, Jesus could no longer enter a town openly but stayed outside in lonely places. Yet the people still came to Him from everywhere.” Mark 1:45 (NIV)

C. The Church in America and the Leper

1. The church must show compassion to the outcast.

“And so Jesus also suffered outside the city gate to make the people holy through His own blood. Let us, then, go to Him outside the camp, bearing the disgrace He bore.”

Hebrews 13:12-13 (NIV)

2. The church must believe and proclaim Christ’s power to heal.

“The Peter said, ‘Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.’” Acts 3:6 (NIV)

3. The church must obey the mission of Christ.

“Again Jesus said, ‘Peace be with you! As the Father has sent Me, I am sending you.’” John 20:21 (NIV)

Bottom Line:

Do not be an instead,
but instead, be obedient.

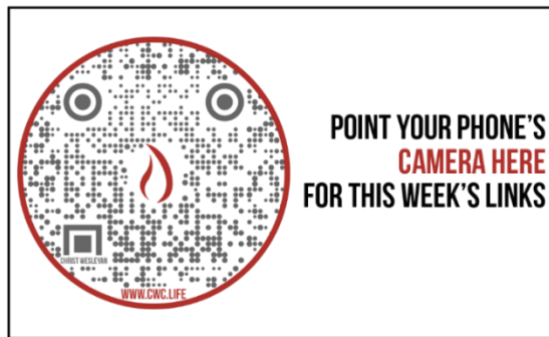
To begin a relationship with Jesus...

Text: “Jesus” to 570-273-0088

Next Sunday:
Miraculous: Great Faith
The Signs and Wonders of Jesus Christ

Week 6: Great Faith
Quest Book: Chapter 20

Milton Campus: Pastor Branden Mestach
Sunbury Campus: Pastor Billy Robel



Giving & Attendance Update

Giving last Sunday: 58.7%

Giving year to date: 89.7% of goal

Attendance Last Weekend: 1,692

Salvations to date: 74 | Baptisms to date: 51

“Reach the One” Campaign Update

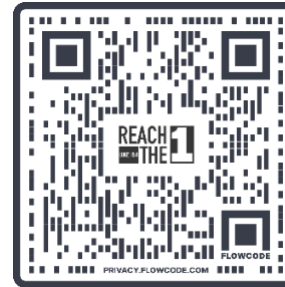
158 – Pledges with 393 Total Participants

\$2,112,511.48 -Donations Anticipated by Nov. 2027

\$1,178,950.48 -Received Donations – 29.5% of \$4M Goal

Want to pledge, donate, or learn more?

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Upcoming Happenings:

Wednesday, September 3rd – Midweek Launch! 6:30-8p.

Sunday, September 7th – Classics Fall Dinner @ Silver
Moon Banquet Hall 12:30p

Sunday, September 14th – Born to Be Brave (Father/Son)
Event 6:30-8:30

Notetakers are History Makers

Looking for your next step at CWC?

Welcome Party – 1st Sunday of Every Month

- If you are new or if you’ve been around a bit and are looking to build friendships with others, our Welcome Party is for you! **Get to know others** who are newer at CWC as well as our welcome team and our pastors in a relational environment. There will be light refreshments and the opportunity to hear about our small groups, baptism, and your next step of Growth Track. If you’re asking the question, “*How can I make friends here,*” then this is for you! No registration is required, you can just show up. Look for the signs on the first Sunday of the month.

Growth Track – 3-week class on Sunday Mornings or Wednesday Nights

- Growth Track exists to help you learn about the vision of CWC, the gifts God has given you, and how you can use them in specific opportunities to serve at CWC. You’ll learn amongst others of how to become a vital part of the ministries of the church so that we can share the light of Christ with our communities. If you miss a class, don’t worry! Growth Track runs every month and we even have an online option you can participate in (though we recommend in-person if you can). You can see what classes are available by going to **bit.ly/cwcgrowthtrack**.

Membership Class – Once a quarter on Sundays after 2nd service

- Membership class is the last step of fully assimilating at CWC. Learn about our denomination, The Wesleyan Church and the bigger movement we are a part of across the world. This 3-hour class with the lead pastor provides you a place to **ask important questions about our beliefs as a church** and allows you to become eligible for our local board of administration. You also become eligible for denominational events like our district and general conferences. To sign up for our next class, let us know at the Hub or email: **loretta.paulhamus@cwc.life**