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Message: Brand: New Touch

How should the world view the church? Unfortunately, we've got to own the fact that we've created a *brand* for the church that Jesus never intended. But we have the opportunity to give everyone a **Brand: New** perspective. In this 5-part series, Brand: New, we will look at how we can return Christianity to the hope-filled, life-giving *brand* Jesus intended.

#1

When Jesus came to earth He modeled for us a **Brand** new way to live. What does that look like for us today?

#2

According to Lead Pastor Gary Gaddini, the book of Matthew records 10 miracles that Jesus performed. Diseases are cured, the dead are raised, storms are calmed, and spiritually oppressed are set free. Which of these areas of restoration stand out to you? Jesus meets us in our brokenness and sin as well. Have you ever witnessed or been the beneficiary of a miracle?

#3

These miracles display (at least) two characteristics of Jesus: His compassion and His authority. Name and reflect on as many of Jesus' characteristics as you can. Which of His characteristics are standing out to you in your life right now?

#4

Read <u>Matthew 8:1-4</u>. What do you notice about the posture and demeanor of the man with leprosy when he came to Jesus? What can we learn from the man about how we should come to Jesus?

#5

Humans are wired to be touched. Human touch is vital for our mental, emotional, and physical health. And Gary stated, "the holy one grabs hold of us before he makes us holy." Now put yourself in the position of the man with leprosy. How did Jesus show compassion and use of authority in his response to the man? We are also wired to be spiritual beings. How has Jesus "touched you" spiritually lately, showing His compassion and authority?

#6

Sometimes we see ourselves as so unclean or unworthy it prevents us from wanting a relationship with the Lord. Is there anything that is standing in your way of entering into a relationship (or a closer relationship) with Jesus? And how could you be a healer toward a friend who feels unworthy/unclean? See <u>Romans 5:8</u>, <u>2 Corinthians 1:3-4</u>.

Resources

- 1. <u>Support a Graduating High School Foster Teen</u>
- 2. Join an upcoming <u>Be The Bridge Group</u> (runs from May 2 through June 13)
- 3. <u>Register</u> for our upcoming Live on the Lawn on Sunday, April 25