



**PURPOSE CHURCH**

**SUNDAYS 8:30am | 10:00am | 11:30am**



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**FEBRUARY 9, 2025**

# THE REAL JESUS

**What He Said, What He Did, and How We Follow**

# WELCOME TO PURPOSE CHURCH!

## Are you new to Purpose Church?

We are so glad you are here! We want to meet you, answer any questions you might have, and help you get connected. Come to the Connect Center located in the Lobby after the service to meet our friendly team and pick up a free gift!

## NEXT STEPS AT PURPOSE

We believe every person has a *next step* to take. We are here to help you discover and take yours.

Have you decided to follow Jesus?  
Do you want to get baptized?  
Do you need hope, healing and support?  
Are you looking for meaningful community?

Head to: [purposechurch.com/nextsteps](https://purposechurch.com/nextsteps)



# EVERYONE EVERYWHERE FOLLOWING JESUS

## PRAYER

We would love to pray with you!  
Please stop by the prayer room  
after the service or submit a  
prayer request online.  
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## GIVING

We believe that generous people  
transform the world! Offering  
boxes are available in the lobby on  
Sundays or you can give online.  
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# JESUS REACHES THE ACTIVIST, THE WEALTHY, AND THE INTELLECTUAL

February 9, 2025 / Pastor Eric Holmstrom

## SURVEY SEASON:

We want to hear from all of you!

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## JESUS REACHES THE \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 9:1-8

Proverbs 14:31

*Jesus reaches the **activist** by redeeming and empowering their work around His most pressing cause to see everyone everywhere following Him and flourishing as image bearers of God.*

## JESUS REACHES THE \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 9:9-13

*Jesus reaches the **wealthy** by offering them something their money and strategic partnerships could never give them—a genuine relationship with God where He sees beyond their net worth to their heart and need for Jesus and a deeper purpose in His Kingdom.*

## JESUS REACHES THE \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 9:18-19, 23-26

*Jesus reaches the **intellectual** by allowing them to be unsatisfied and discontent with Christ-less conclusions until they discover the truth of knowing the real Jesus crucified and resurrected.*

## REFLECT | DISCUSS | PRACTICE

- 1. REFLECT:** How did God specifically speak to you through the Bible passages and sermon?
- 2. DISCUSS:** Read Matthew 9:1-8. What do you think was going through the minds of the paralyzed man, the four guys carrying him, the disciples, and the crowd when the first thing Jesus did was forgive not heal the paralyzed man?
- 3. DISCUSS:** Can you tell us about a time you came to Jesus wanting something but it became clear that He actually wanted something different for you?
- 4. DISCUSS:** Read Matthew 9:9-13. What are you most greedy about right now; your time, your money, or your schedule? How is Jesus meeting you and challenging you to follow Him instead of your greed?
- 5. DISCUSS:** Read Matthew 9:18-26. Both the synagogue leader and the bleeding woman got to places of desperation. When was the last time you were desperate for Jesus to show up and work in your life? How did Jesus reveal Himself in ways you hoped for and ways you didn't anticipate?
- 6. PRACTICE:** Pick one of these three options to practice this week:
  - (1) Research an injustice you are passionate about and explore how it aligns with God's Word and how God might be calling you to get more involved.
  - (2) Invite someone out for coffee or a meal who doesn't know Jesus, pay for their drink or food, and intentionally strengthen your relationship with them and show them God's love through your care for them.
  - (3) Decide on one big theological, Bible, or Jesus question you have that you want to find an answer to and ask God to help you discover a theologically biblical answer to your question.

*For more life group, reflection, and discussion content, and to join or start a group, visit: [purposechurch.com/groups](http://purposechurch.com/groups)*

**Fill in the blanks:** ACTIVIST, WEALTHY, INTELLECTUAL

