



**PURPOSE CHURCH**

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



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**MARCH 23, 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.  
[purposechurch.com/prayer](https://purposechurch.com/prayer)

## 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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**ARE YOU REALLY LIVING?**  
*March 23, 2025 / Pastor Eric Holmstrom*

Isaiah 29:13

Matthew 15:18-20

Matthew 15:25-28

**ARE YOU \_\_\_\_\_ WHAT JESUS IS DOING?**

Matthew 15:29-31

**ARE YOU \_\_\_\_\_ TO JOIN WHAT JESUS IS DOING?**

Matthew 15:32-38

**Encouraging Statistics According to Christian Researcher Thom Rainer, LifeWay Publishing, and Barna Group:**

- 82% of people invited to an Easter service will attend.
- 70% of unchurched people have never been invited to church.
- 79% of unchurched people would be willing to listen to and dialogue with a friend or family member who values their faith.



## REFLECT | DISCUSS | PRACTICE

- 1. REFLECT:** How did God specifically speak to you through the Bible passages and sermon?
- 2. DISCUSS:** Read Matthew 15:1-20. Why is Jesus so frustrated at the Pharisees and in what ways have you thought or acted similar to those religious leaders?
- 3. DISCUSS:** Read Matthew 15:21-28. Why do you think people often misunderstand Jesus in this story and what does His interaction with the Canaanite woman reveal about Him?
- 4. DISCUSS:** Read Matthew 15:29-39. When was the last time you introduced someone to Jesus through your relationship with them? How did that go?
- 5. DISCUSS:** What are some of the “seven loaves” (skills, relationships, opportunities) that God has placed in your life and how does He want to use those to expand His Kingdom through you this week?
- 6. PRACTICE:** Fill in your “My Circle” list of five people God is calling you to pray for, share Christ with, and invite to Easter at Purpose Church this year and start praying for them, look for opportunities to share Christ with them, and boldly invite them to Easter!

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