



Sermon Excerpts:

“The Call to Emulate Jesus”

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Matthew 9:20-22 (CEV) *“A woman who had been bleeding for twelve years came up behind Jesus and barely touched his clothes. She had said to herself, “If I can just touch his clothes, I will get well.” Jesus turned. He saw the woman and said, “Don’t worry! You are now well because of your faith.” At that moment she was healed.”*

- If you find yourself constantly around others and feeling depleted, make sure to schedule some healthy alone time.
- If you find yourself predominantly alone or are feeling lonely, make sure to invest more time seeking meaningful social connections.
- Whether you are an introvert or an extrovert, it is important to find the right balance for you.

Jesus is to be emulated and not just worshipped.

Emulating Jesus does not require divinity, but commitment, compassion, and courage. Jesus accomplished what he did not because of some supernatural power unavailable to the rest of us; he accomplished what he did because of his constant dedication to the priorities of God.”

Each of us must become aware of our own familiarity and friendliness with others who may not feel like they don’t “fit in” for whatever the reason.

In Christ we are called to help each other find their connection and acceptance. God graciously allows others to learn the important principle of self-acceptance through our acceptance and assurance of others.