

The Gospel According to Luke
We Can't, but He Does
Luke 8:40-9:17 • Pastor Brandon Cash

Get your life together and then come see Jesus! (Or, is it the other way around?)

And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, and though she had spent all her living on physicians, she could not be healed by anyone (Luke 8:43)

“If a woman has a discharge of blood for many days, not at the time of her menstrual impurity, or if she has a discharge beyond the time of her impurity, all the days of the discharge she shall continue in uncleanness... Every bed on which she lies, all the days of her discharge, shall be to her as the bed of her impurity. And everything on which she sits shall be unclean... And whoever touches these things shall be unclean... (Leviticus 15:25-30)

And all were weeping and mourning for [the dead little girl], but [Jesus} said, “Do not weep, for she is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, “Child, arise.” (Luke 8:52-53)

“Whoever touches the dead body of any person shall be unclean seven days. He shall cleanse himself with the water on the third day and on the seventh day, and so be clean. But if he does not cleanse himself on the third day and on the seventh day, he will not become clean.

Whoever touches a dead person, the body of anyone who has died, and does not cleanse himself, defiles the tabernacle of the LORD, and that person shall be cut off from Israel; because the water for impurity was not thrown on him, he shall be unclean. His uncleanness is still on him. (Numbers 19:11-13)

Jesus doesn't just make us clean, he provides what we need to do His work.

And they departed and went through the villages, preaching the gospel and healing everywhere. (Luke 9:6)

Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. And they all ate and were satisfied. (Luke 9:16b-17a)