

# TAKING WORSHIP INTO YOUR WEEK



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We are in a season of change. Many of us are tired of change. We have “change exhaustion.” And yet, here is it, Lent, a season of 40 days during which we’re called to change our hearts, our minds, our wills about the sin in our lives. That DOES sound exhausting. . . until we remember that it is our Savior who will empower us to change, has done the work of our salvation, and will energize and motivate us to follow him in this season of change.

We Reach. Christ Restores. You’ll understand on Sunday.

1. Put into your mind the image of the most beat-up, scarred, and worn piece of furniture in your home. Imagine what it would take to restore it. Would all that work be worth the effort?

Then, put into you mind the image of your face, and realize that Christ has restored you to God through faith in him. Did he do that because you were “worth it,” or do you have worth because he did that restoration?

2. Read Luke 6:6-10. Focus on the “reaching” or “stretching” of vs. 10, and compare it to the action taken in Mt. 8:3 and Mt. 14:31. In those passages, who is doing the reaching? Who is asking for restoration?

3. See 1 Thess. 5:23. With what three words does Paul, by inspiration of the Holy Spirit, describe a human being?

4. What does the Lord restore in Ps. 23:3? Ps. 51:12? Ps. 41:3?

5. Thinking again about the restoration of the man with the shriveled hand in Luke 6, in what ways was the man restored not only in body, but in soul and spirit as well?

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