

# LIVING *a better* STORY

A SERIES *on* THE PARABLES



THE PARABLE *of*  
*the* THE WINESKINS



## LUKE 5:36-39

Jesus told this parable: “No one tears a patch from a new garment and sews it on an old one. If he does, he will have torn the new garment, and the patch from the new will not match the old. And no one pours new wine into old wineskins. If he does, the new wine will burst the skins, the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, new wine must be poured into new wineskins. And no one after drinking old wine wants the new, for he says, ‘The old is better.’”







Choose your rut carefully,  
you'll be in it for the next  
**150 miles.**



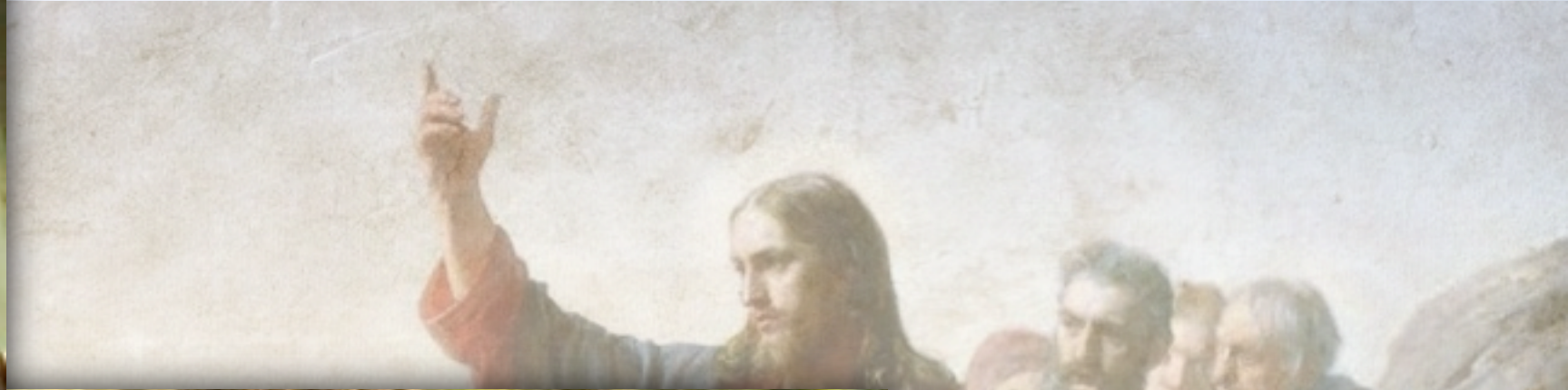






Jesus heals the  
**PARALYTIC**





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Jesus calls  
**LEVI**









For Jesus, the true need of  
the human heart always  
superseded man-made rules;  
**theirs—and ours!**



# New Wine

Symbolic of the  
work of God  
through the activity  
of the Holy Spirit







# Wineskins

Represent our  
openness and  
obedience to the  
Holy Spirit's fresh  
activity.





# THE CHALLENGE

This parable calls us to step  
outside the box so we can  
experience the continual flow of  
**NEW WINE.**





# **1** *the* DANGER *of* **INFLEXIBILITY**

*“No one puts new wine into old wineskins.”*

VERSE 37





# 2 *the DANGER of* **APATHY**

*“No one, after drinking old wine wishes for new.”*

**VERSE 39**





# 3 *the* DANGER *of* INTOLERANCE

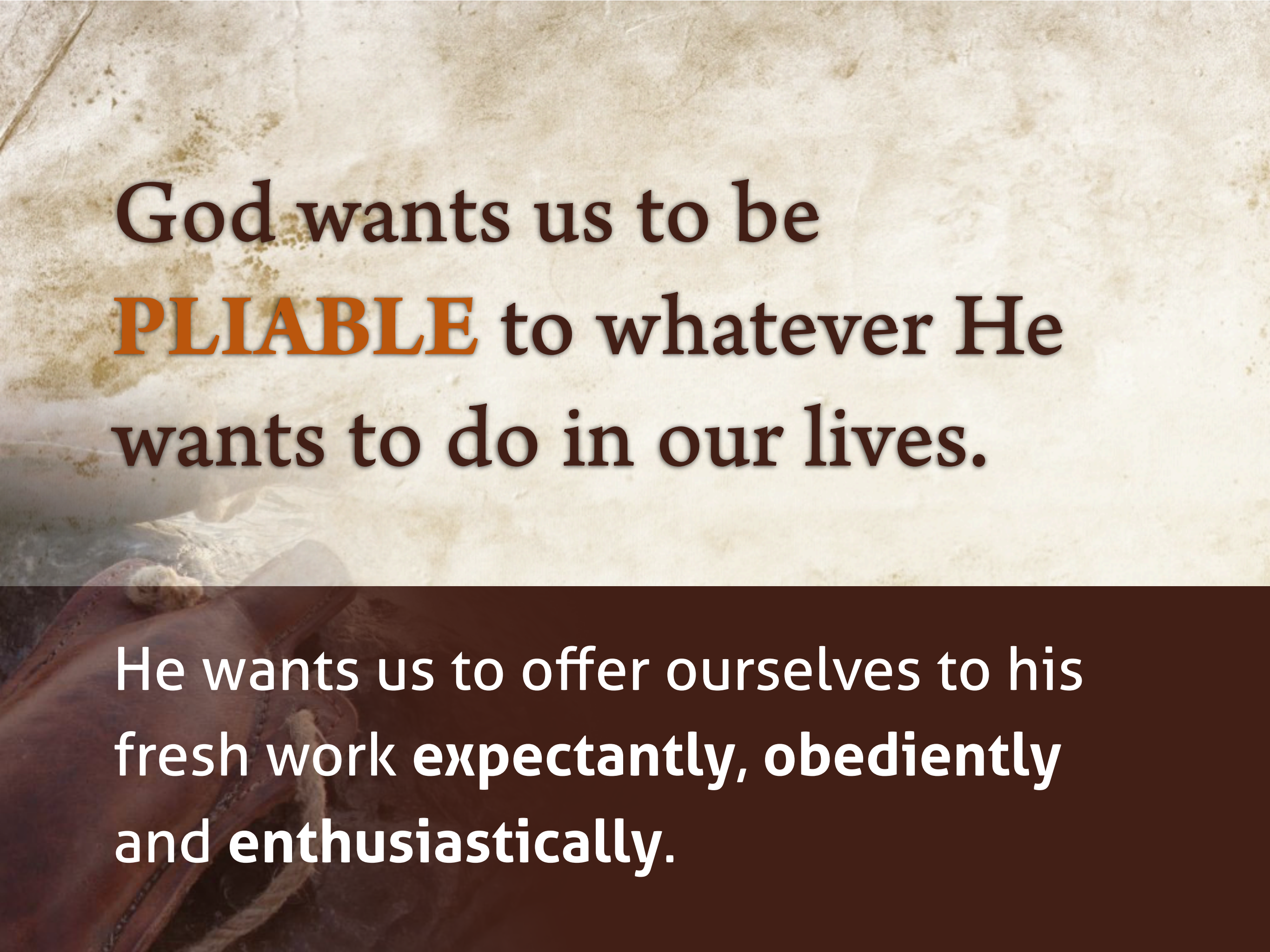
*“The old is better.”*

VERSE 39



ULTIMATELY, the  
question shouldn't be,  
is it old, or is it new,  
but is it what God  
wants to do right now.





God wants us to be  
**PLIABLE** to whatever He  
wants to do in our lives.

He wants us to offer ourselves to his  
fresh work **expectantly, obediently**  
and **enthusiastically**.



*“No one puts **new** wine in  
old wineskins.”  
...including*

**God!**

