NEW SKIN, NEW WINE

The Old and the New – Week 3
March 21, 2021

KEY SCRIPTURES

- Mark 2:13-22
- 2 Corinthians 5:14-21
- 2 Corinthians 6:1-11
- Isaiah 54:1-3

KEY POINTS

- Jesus was changing paradigms when he started his ministry. John's disciples were questioning the changes.
- Jesus says we need new wineskins to go along with the new wine.
- New wineskins allow us to make changes and be flexible and open to the Holy Spirit's leading.
- Our old affections and traditions can limit us. God cannot be limited but we can certainly be resistant.
- We are called to be ambassadors; ambassadors don't have an independent agenda.
- We don't make God work with us; we work with Him.
- Stretch wide the place of your tent and make room.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. In what ways are you serving as a minister of reconciliation?
2. What old pattern, tradition, or paradigm do you need to let go?
3. What ways are you being stretched?
4. Did Sunday's service stretch you? Explain.
5. Pray together for the Holy Spirit to empower you to be ministers of reconciliation.