

## NEW WINESKINS AND OLD WINESKINS

Matthew 9:14-38

Key Verse: 9:17

"Neither do men pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins will burst, the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved."

### STUDY QUESTIONS

1. How did Jesus reveal his compassion and authority in verses 1-13? Read verses 14-15. Why and how were John's disciples different from Jesus' disciples? What did Jesus teach them about himself? About his disciples?
2. Read verses 16-17. Why don't the new and old mix? Who are new and old wineskins? What do each of these parables teach about the nature of the Christian life? How can we avoid becoming old wineskin Christians?
3. Read verses 18-26. What was remarkable about the ruler's faith? What happened on the way to his house? What can we learn from the woman? How did Jesus deal with the crowd? With the girl? What can we learn from Jesus through these events?
4. Read verses 27-34. How did the blind men show their faith? What did Jesus do for them? What further amazed the crowds? Why did the Pharisees not see God's glory?
5. Read verses 35-38. How is Jesus' ministry summarized in verse 35? What did he do instead of despairing at the sinfulness of mankind? How did Jesus see the crowds? The sinsick world?