a new way to be human::

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live selflessly

Please use the space below to take notes on today's message:

Take It Homework

We encourage you to not only do these exercises on your own, but also with a group of friends, co-workers, neighbors, small group or family members. (Take It Homework can be found online at vmc.net under "listen to past sermons," as well as under ministries/ community, in the "A New Way to Be Human" small group materials section.)

- In your own words, define selfless.
- Who comes to mind when you think of the word, "selfless?" Obviously, Jesus is the number 1 answer here, so try to think of someone else. What is it about their life that speaks selflessness?
- How would you rate yourself on the selfless scale? (1 being "what do you mean, "others?" and 10 being, you're like Jesus who laid down His life for the world)
- Can you relate to the airplane principle mentioned in the sermon (help yourself first, and the others around you second), or is it just me?
- What stands out to you in our culture as a selfish trend? What about a selfless trend?
- Have you ever thought about what God gave up to come down to earth?

Read John 15:13.

- How can you apply this verse to your life right now?

Read Mark 2:1-12.

- What are some of the points of this story that stand out to you?
- Where do you think you would have found yourself if you had been there that day?
- How do you feel about kicking down doors? Are there any in your life right now that you need to take a shot at? Could you enlist the help of some friends?
- Have you ever felt like we need to "de-roof" the church? Why or why not?
- How can you implement a more selfless lifestyle today? What are some things you could implement down the road?