

Message Notes

Series: Following Jesus, Fishing for People

A Soul Café verse by verse teaching through the Gospel of Mark

Message Three: Stop being religious and be Christ!

Passage: Mark 2: 1-28

Intro:

2: 1-9

What did Jesus do with the gathering crowd: He s_____ the Word of God to them.

“Don’t criticize what draws a crowd- focus on what is being taught once the crowd gathers.”

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When the need is u_____ you will find a w_____.

The pallet b_____ the man in but the man c_____ the pallet out.

2: 10-12

Son of Man=a M_____ title emphasizing His humanity and humility; His suffering and death. This is the reason Jesus came to earth: *Luke 19:10*

2: 13-17

Matthew (Levi) had a bad reputation among the people. His seat of customs was in Capernaum. He served as a Jewish collector of payments due in the service of Herod Antipas. A Gatherer was detested and despised and classed with the vilest of men. He was regarded as an outcast, disqualified to serve as a judge or witness in court, and was excommunicated from the synagogue. His family would be shunned.

2: 18-20

Fasting sets aside regular r_____ tasks to focus more fully on one’s r_____ with God.

2: 21-22:

Bottles to hold wine were made of g_____ skin. When they were new, they were elastic. Old skins became dry and hard. Otherwise, the wine expands within a container thus it must be able to stretch otherwise it will burst and the wine will be lost.

2: 23-28:

The disciples were hungry and according to Duet 23, people who were hungry could pluck corn from their neighbor’s fields and eat freely. They could not cut any from the stalk, only pluck it. Nor could they pick more than they would eat at that moment.

What the disciples were doing was completely legit.

The Pharisees accused them of “reaping” on the Sabbath and by rubbing the ears of corn which was against the Law.

The story Jesus is referring to is in 1 Sam. 21: 1-6

The showbread was 12 newly baked loaves of bread placed every Sabbath in two rows on a table before the Lord in the Tabernacle and later eaten by the priests Lev. 24: 5-9.

Jesus stressed I _____; religious people stress I _____.

ACTION STEP TO TAKE THIS WEEK: Like the four men who did whatever it took to get their friend to Jesus, what are you specifically doing to get your friends to Christ to receive Him?
What steps will you take this week to get them to Jesus?

SMALL GROUP LESSON

LOOK BACK:

Describe a time that you attempted to share Jesus with a spiritually lost person. How did you sense the Holy Spirit at work?

LOOK UP:

One: What happens to a person if they are never presented an opportunity to hear the Good News about Jesus and receive Him as Savior and Lord?

Two: In your daily/weekly schedule, how could you be more intentional in sharing Jesus and the Good News about Him to those you know/meet?

Three: In your own life, have you added any manmade religious rules that are not supported by Scripture? What will you do to remove them?

Four: How can you increase your walk in gladness rather than sadness?

LOOK FORWARD:

What intentional action will you take this week to share Jesus with another person and invite them to receive Him as Savior and Lord?