

Ministry Methods Questioned (part 2)

Mark 2:19-28

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I. The Bridegroom. Mark 2:19-20

"The wedding guests were actually _____ from all fasting." (Barclay)

1. There was an original marriage _____.
2. The wedding began at the bride's house, where the bridegroom would come to _____ the bride to his house.
3. Then there is the _____ and the celebration of the Lamb, where guests are invited. **Revelation 19:7-8**

The "joy" that was set before Jesus in **Hebrews 12:2** was Jesus receiving us as His Children, through His offering for sin on the cross; He is the _____ for His Church.

II. New wine skins. Mark 2:21-22

In **Genesis**, after Adam and Eve sinned, they sewed fig leaves together to try and cover their nakedness; so we can see how a garment symbolized the covering of man's _____ condition.

- Jesus did not come to put the new work of His Spirit into the _____ skin of Judaism; salvation comes by Grace alone, provided by the blood of Christ alone.

Jesus' kingdom would not operate within those rules; instead He came to bring Good News and it is symbolized by new wine. Jesus came to introduce something _____, not to patch up the old.

III. The purpose of the Sabbath. Mark 2:23-27

Most of the Pharisaical Law regarding the Sabbath Day came from _____ rather than from the Lord.

- The Lord created hunger in us, to use food as a fuel for the body. The Lord gives us spiritual hunger for Him; but, the Pharisees thought tradition was more _____ than hunger for the Lord.

"In a similar way, regulations safeguarding the Sabbath were here set aside for Jesus, in a special _____, and those who were with Him."

IV. Jesus created the Sabbath. Mark 2:28

Jesus is telling these religious leaders He is the same _____ who wrote the **Book of Exodus** and gave the commandments about the Sabbath Day.

- The Sabbath was created for us to have time to sit at the feet of our Savior and enjoy _____, peace and rest with Him.

Small Group Discussion

Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

1. Read **Mark 2:19-20**. Discuss the three points of the wedding mentioned in point I. of the sermon note sheet and how they apply to the New Testament Church.
Isaiah 54:5, 2 Corinthians 11:2, Ephesians 5:25-33, Revelation 19:6-9, Ephesians 2:8-10, Hebrews 12:2
2. Read **Mark 2:21-22**. How does the garment symbolize covering man's sinful condition (**Genesis 3:21, Hebrews 9:22**)? What do the old wine skins and new wine skins represent? How is wine shown as a representation of the Holy Spirit?
Amos 9:13, Ephesians 5:18, 1 Corinthians 6:19, Acts 2:13-16, Matthew 9:17, John 2:10, Luke 11:13
3. Read **Mark 2:23-27**. Did the Disciples of Jesus break the Law by plucking grain? Was this act okay before the Lord even if a law was broken? Was the Sabbath Law created for the New Testament Church?
Hosea 6:6, Colossians 2:16-17, Romans 14:5, 1 Corinthians 9:20, Matthew 28:1,9-10, Mark 16:9, Luke 24:1, 13-15, John 20:19, 26
4. Read **Mark 2:28**. What was Jesus claiming with the statement, "Therefore the Son of Man is also the Lord of the Sabbath"?
John 1:1-14, Hebrews 1:10, Genesis 1:1, Genesis 2:2-3, Exodus 20:8-11, John 8:58, John 8:21
5. Discuss Biblical "rest" and the conclusion of the sermon.
Hebrews 4:11, Matthew 11:28, Romans 5:1, Philippians 4:6-9, John 14:1-6