

Jesus versus Religion

Mark 2:13 – 3:6

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Mark 2:13-17 (CSB) - *Jesus went out again beside the sea. The whole crowd was coming to him, and he was teaching them. ¹⁴Then, passing by, he saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting at the toll booth, and he*

said to him, “Follow me,” and he got up and followed him.

¹⁵While he was reclining at the table in Levi’s house, many tax collectors and sinners were eating with Jesus and his disciples, for there were many

who were following him.

¹⁶When the scribes who were Pharisees saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, they asked his disciples, “Why does he eat with tax collectors and

sinners?”

¹⁷When Jesus heard this, he told them, “It is not those who are well who need a doctor, but those who are sick. I didn’t come to call the righteous, but sinners.”

**1. Jesus is the doctor
who heals sick souls.**

Mark 2:17 (CSB) - *When Jesus heard this, he told them, “It is not those who are well who need a doctor, but those who are sick. I didn’t come to call the righteous, but sinners.”*

*"He has sent Me to heal the
brokenhearted, to proclaim ...
recovery of sight to the blind."*

(Luke 4:18, NKJV)

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**2. Jesus is the
bridegroom who weds
the unlovely.**

**Mark 2:18-22 (CSB) - Now
*John's disciples and the
Pharisees were fasting. People
came and asked him, "Why do
John's disciples and the
Pharisees' disciples fast, but
your disciples do not fast?"***

19 Jesus said to them, “The wedding guests cannot fast while the groom is with them, can they? As long as they have the groom with them, they cannot fast. 20 But the time will come when the groom will be

taken away from them, and then they will fast on that day.

²¹No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment. Otherwise, the new patch pulls away from the old cloth, and a worse tear is

made. ²²And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and the wine is lost as well as the skins. No, new wine is put into fresh wineskins.”

"A thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it in abundance."

(John 10:10, CSB)

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**1 Timothy 6:17 (CSB) - God
*... richly provides us with
all things to enjoy.***

**3. Jesus is the
Sabbath Lord who
gives rest for the
weary.**

Mark 2:23-24 (CSB) – *On the Sabbath he was going through the grainfields, and his disciples began to make their way, picking some heads of grain.* ²⁴*The Pharisees said to*

*him, “Look, why are they doing
what is not lawful on the
Sabbath?” ...*

27 Then he told them, “The Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath. 28 So then, the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath.”

Mark 3:1-5 (CSB) – *Jesus entered the synagogue again, and a man was there who had a shriveled hand. ²In order to accuse him, they were watching him closely to see whether he would heal him on*

the Sabbath. ³He told the man with the shriveled hand, “Stand before us.” ⁴Then he said to them, “Is it lawful to do good on the Sabbath or to do evil, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent. ⁵After looking

around at them with anger, he was grieved at the hardness of their hearts and told the man, “Stretch out your hand.” So he stretched it out, and his hand was restored.

"Come to me, all of you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take up my yoke and learn from me, because I am lowly and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

(Matthew 11:28–29, CSB)

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