

ORDER OF SERVICE

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Worship in Fellowship
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Jesus Is Lord

Mark 2:23-3:35

Marvel Series

Life Change: That we relate to Jesus as Lord.

Chasing a celeb...

Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath.

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Jesus is Lord for all people.

Mark 3:7-10

Jesus is Lord over illness and disease.

Mark 3:10

Jesus is Lord over the demons.

Mark 3:11-12

Jesus is Lord over the apostles.

Mark 3:13-19

Jesus is Lord over Satan.

Mark 3:20-30

Jesus the Lord must be approached as such.

Mark 3:31-35

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Ex. 20:3

³ Do not have other
gods besides me.

LORD. The word is *kurios* which means “he to whom a person or thing belongs, the owner;” it is used of the possessor and disposer of a thing... the word is used in the LXX [Septuagint] as a translation of the august title of God which we know as Jehovah, and thus has implications so of deity.

Kenneth S. Wuest Mark-Word Studies in the Greek New Testament



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Mark 2:23-24 (CSB)

²³ 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?”

Hag

Zec

Mal

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Mark

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Joh

Acts

Rom

Mark 2:25-28 (CSB)

25 He said to them, “Have you never read what David and those who were with him did when he was in need and hungry—²⁶ how he entered the house of God in the time of Abiathar the high priest and ate the bread of the Presence—which is not lawful for anyone to eat except the priests—and also gave some to his companions?” 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.”

Bible Knowledge Commentary

A day of solemn worship of God should be kept weekly. Keeping the Sabbath Day... holy means to separate it, the seventh day, from the other six days, a special day to the LORD. People are to work six days and worship on the seventh. This contrasted with the Israelites' slavery in Egypt when, presumably, they had no break in their daily routine.

Bible Knowledge Commentary

The basis for this commandment is God's creating the universe in six days and resting on the seventh (Gen. 2:2-3; Ex. 16:23). This was not to be a day of slothful inactivity but of spiritual service through religious observances... In the present Church Age the day of worship had been changed from Saturday to Sunday because of Jesus' resurrection on the first day of the week (cf. Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:2).



The Pocket Dictionary of Theological Terms

Legalism is the attitude that identifies morality with the strict observance of laws or that views adherence to moral codes as defining the boundaries of a community. Religious legalism focuses on obedience to laws or moral codes based on the (misguided) assumption that such obedience is a means of gaining divine favor.

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Antinomianism is: An ethical system that denies the binding nature of any supposedly absolute or external laws on individual behavior. Some antinomianists argue that Christians need not preach or practice the laws of the OT because Christ's merits have freed Christians from the law. Others, like the early Gnostics, teach that spiritual perfection comes about through the attainments of a special knowledge rather than by obedience to law.

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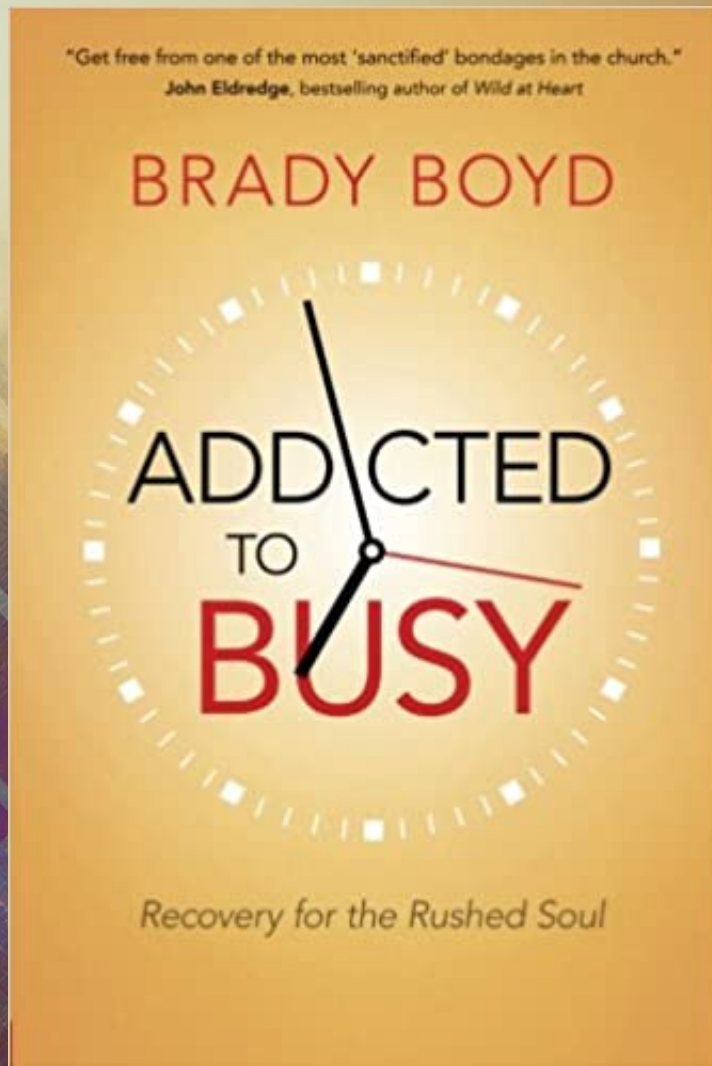
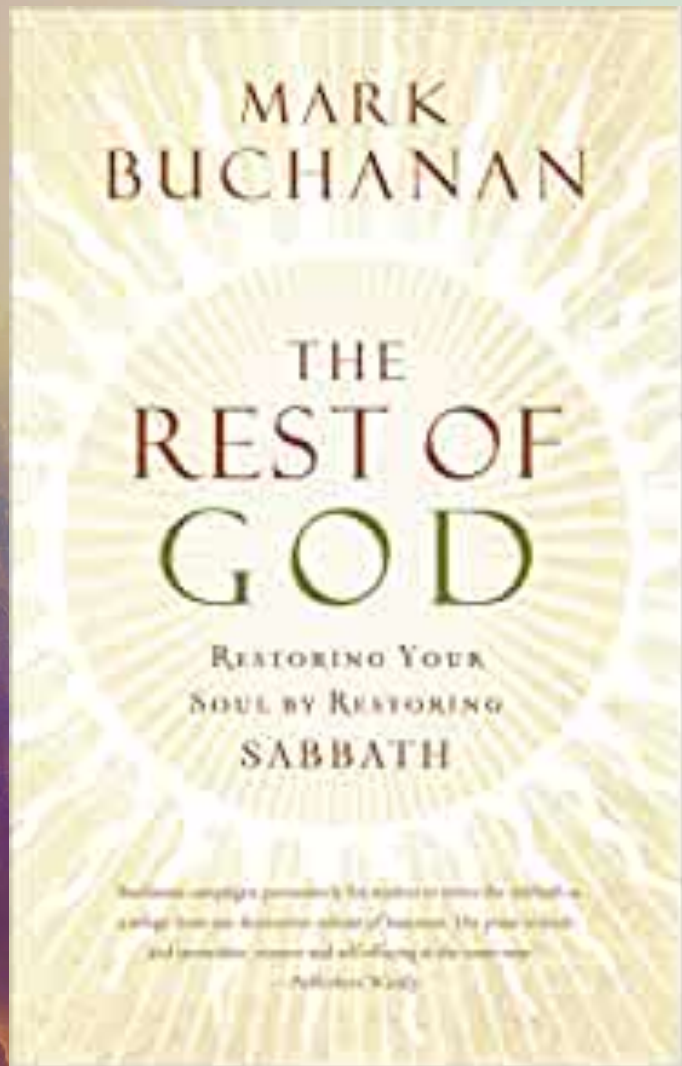
Mark 3:1-3 (CSB)

3 Jesus entered the synagogue again, and a man was there who had a shriveled hand. ² In order to accuse him, they were watching him closely to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath. ³ He told the man with the shriveled hand, “Stand before us.”

Mark 3:4-6 (CSB)

⁴ Then 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. ⁵ After 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.

⁶ Immediately the Pharisees went out and started plotting with the Herodians against him, how they might kill him.



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Mark 3:7-10 (CSB)

⁷ Jesus departed with his disciples to the sea, and a large crowd followed from Galilee, and a large crowd followed from Judea, ⁸ Jerusalem, Idumea, beyond the Jordan, and around Tyre and Sidon. The large crowd came to him because they heard about everything he was doing. ⁹ Then he told his disciples to have a small boat ready for him, so that the crowd wouldn't crush him. ¹⁰ Since he had healed many, all who had diseases were pressing toward him to touch him.



King *of* Kings
LORD OF LORDS

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John 3:16

¹⁶ For God loved the world in this way: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.



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CORONAVIRUS AND
CHRIST



JOHN PIPER

John Piper

...People would often ask me before my cancer diagnosis, “How’s your health?” And I would answer, “Fine.” I don’t answer that way anymore. I say, “I feel fine.” There’s a difference. The day before I went for that annual prostate exam, I *felt* fine. The day after, I was told I had cancer. In other words, I was *not* fine. So even as I write these words, I do not know if I am fine. I feel fine. Way better than I deserve. For all I know, I have cancer right now. Or perhaps a blood clot. Or the coronavirus.

John Piper

What's the point? The point is this: the ultimate reason we ought not to say, "I am fine," is that God alone knows and decides if you are fine-now. To say, "I am fine," when you don't *know* if you are fine, and you don't *control* if you are fine, is like saying, "Tomorrow, I will go to Chicago and do business there," when you have no idea if you will even be alive tomorrow, let alone doing business in Chicago.

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Here's what the Bible says about a sentence like that:

Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit."-yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that." (James 4:13-15)



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Mark 3:11-12

¹¹ Whenever the unclean spirits saw him, they fell down before him and cried out, “You are the Son of God!” ¹² And he would strongly warn them not to make him known.

Eph. 6:12

¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this darkness, against evil, spiritual forces in the heavens.

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James 2:19

¹⁹ You believe that God is one. Good! Even the demons believe—and they shudder.

Mark 3:13-19 (CSB)

¹³ Jesus went up the mountain and summoned those he wanted, and they came to him. ¹⁴ He appointed twelve, whom he also named apostles, to be with him, to send them out to preach, ¹⁵ and to have authority to drive out demons. ¹⁶ He appointed the Twelve: To Simon, he gave the name Peter; ¹⁷ and to James the son of Zebedee, and to his brother John, he gave the name “Boanerges” (that is, “Sons of Thunder”); ¹⁸ Andrew; Philip and Bartholomew; Matthew and Thomas; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot, ¹⁹ and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him.



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1 Corinthians 3:3-11 (CSB)

For since there is envy and strife³ among you, are you not worldly and behaving like mere humans? ⁴ For whenever someone says, “I belong to Paul,” and another, “I belong to Apollos,” are you not acting like mere humans?

⁵ What then is Apollos? What is Paul? They are servants through whom you believed, and each has the role the Lord has given.

1 Corinthians 3:3-11 (CSB)

⁶ I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth.

⁷ So, then, neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. ⁸ Now he who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his own reward according to his own labor. ⁹ For we are God's coworkers. You are God's field, God's building.

1 Corinthians 3:3-11 (CSB)

¹⁰ According to God's grace that was given to me, I have laid a foundation as a skilled master builder, and another builds on it. But each one is to be careful how he builds on it. ¹¹ For no one can lay any foundation other than what has been laid down. That foundation is Jesus Christ.

Mark 3:20-22 (CSB)

²⁰ Jesus entered a house, and the crowd gathered again so that they were not even able to eat. ²¹ When his family heard this, they set out to restrain him, because they said, “He’s out of his mind.”

²² The scribes who had come down from Jerusalem said, “He is possessed by Beelzebul,” and, “He drives out demons by the ruler of the demons.”

Mark 3:20-27 (CSB)

²³ So he summoned them and spoke to them in parables: “How can Satan drive out Satan? ²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵ If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. ²⁶ And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand but is finished. ²⁷ But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his possessions unless he first ties up the strong man. Then he can plunder his house.

Mark 3:28-30 (CSB)

**28 “Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for all sins and whatever blasphemies they utter. 29 But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”—
30 because they were saying, “He has an unclean spirit.**

yinyang



...in Eastern thought, the two complementary forces that make up all aspects and phenomena of life. Yin is a symbol of earth, femaleness, darkness, passivity, and absorption. It is present in even numbers, in valleys and streams, and is represented by the tiger, the colour orange, and a broken line.

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Yang is conceived of as heaven, maleness, light, activity, and penetration. It is present in odd numbers, in mountains, and is represented by the dragon, the colour azure, and an unbroken line. The two are both said to proceed from the Great Ultimate (*taiji*), their interplay on one another (as one increases the other decreases) being a description of the actual process of the universe and all that is in it. In harmony, the two are depicted as the light and dark halves of a circle.

Encyclopedia Britannica



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Mark 3:31-35 (CSB)

³¹ His mother and his brothers came, and standing outside, they sent word to him and called him. ³² A crowd was sitting around him and told him, “Look, your mother, your brothers, and your sisters are outside asking for you.”

³³ He replied to them, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” ³⁴ Looking at those sitting in a circle around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers!

³⁵ Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

Wayne Braudrick

Other times Jesus shows great engagement with his family. But here the point must be made – Jesus the human is Messiah God. He is not merely your brother & friend – though He is those. He is Lord.



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A.W. Tozer- The Knowledge of the Holy

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