

## Jesus Collides With Some Misguided People

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### Introduction:

Text: Mark 2:13-3:6

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**Big Idea:** It really does matter what you believe and how you practice your faith. Be careful of the spiritual advice people give – \_\_\_\_\_ **PEOPLE CAN STEER YOU AWAY FROM THE WAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ FOUND IN JESUS.**

**Collision #1** – (Mark 2:1-12) Jesus forgave sins and the misguided people questioned that \_\_\_\_\_.

- Jesus does a miracle to prove to all in the room that He is God and has authority OVER EVERYTHING.
  - To \_\_\_\_\_ sins (Authority over the \_\_\_\_\_ realm).
  - To \_\_\_\_\_ brokenness (Authority over the \_\_\_\_\_ realm).

**Collision #2** – (Mark 2:13-17) Jesus HUNG OUT with “sinners” and the misguided people gasped when they saw that relational connection. Jesus clarified His \_\_\_\_\_ to the spiritually sick.

- Jesus cared about and made time for “sinners” in His schedule.
- Jesus lived His life purposefully.
- There are no thoughts hidden from Jesus.
- Jesus hung out with the SPIRITUALLY SICK (AKA: “sinners”) so that He could invite them to be healed.

**Collision #3** – (Mark 2:18-22) Jesus challenged the practice of required fasting and then He flipped the thinking of these misguided people.

- **TEACHING**
  - To be with Jesus, the Bridegroom, is as joyous as a wedding feast.
  - Jesus, the Bridegroom, will be “taken away” at His crucifixion and that will be the time to mourn.
- **ILLUSTRATION**
  - Jesus didn’t come to patch anything---He came to make a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ WAY (Hebrews 10:19-20).
- **CONTRAST**
  - Moses could only give the Law; Christ came to fulfill the law perfectly.
  - The Law could only point out sin and condemn; Jesus Christ gave His life to bring us forgiveness of sin and salvation (new life).

**Collision #4** – (Mark 2:23-28) Jesus refused to side with misguided people on an ISSUE (picking grain to eat) and then He questioned their knowledge of the Bible.

- **\*Sabbath** - According to Exodus 20:8–11, the Sabbath is the seventh day of the week, on which the children of Israel were to rest, in remembrance that God created the universe in six days and then “rested” on the seventh day.
- Legalism - The act of replacing the gospel that was announced and delivered by Jesus (by grace alone through faith alone in Jesus Christ alone) with the teaching that keeping a narrow and rigid moral code *will earn God’s favor*.

**Collision #5** – (Mark 3:1-6) Jesus healed a man with a withered hand on the Sabbath and the misguided people began plotting to “\_\_\_\_\_” Him.

## Truth into Action: 7 Principles to PROTECT your Life and Avoid becoming a Legalist.

1. Prioritize personal Bible study & personal obedience.
2. Make Christlikeness your **target-bullseye** not some manufactured man-made checklist.
3. When the Holy Spirit convicts of sin, confess and seek restoration with God immediately.
4. Seek to be governed by the principle of love (seeking the best interests for others) in all we think, do and speak.
5. Be vigilant to the condition of your own heart.
6. Hunt relentlessly for traces of pride and judgement in your life.
7. Make much of God and His fame!

### CONNECT CARD NEXT STEP:

#1-Prayerfully read and think through the **7 protective principles**.

#2-Evaluate where you need to grow personally.

#3-Let us know how we can help you and pray for you.

Pray first†



Please understand we want to help you know Jesus personally and journey with you in taking fresh steps of obedience daily. We would love to pray with you and for you. Join us at the end of the service for prayer or send us your request on the Connect Card and we will lift them up throughout the week.

### Table Talk

**Warm Up:** How do you feel when someone is watching you and hoping you'll mess up?  
What is the normal reaction to entrapment?

### Read Mark 3:1-6

1. **Did you catch the irony of Christ's question in verse 4?** [The events of verse 6 provide a clue]
2. His question exposes their evil motives and actions. (When Jesus gives life by healing the man on the Sabbath, the Pharisees respond by plotting to take life by killing Jesus.)
3. Was anyone breaking the Sabbath here? (Yes. Not Jesus, but rather the accusers themselves.)
4. Jesus asked them a question in verse 4. How did they answer it? [Look at verse 5]
5. What is Jesus' response to their evil? [Look at verse 6]
6. **Apply the truth:** Do we respond to evil as He does? How can we better model our response to evil after His?

**Closing Prayer:** Help us Father God to read the Bible and seek to understand YOUR TRUTH. Protect us from misguided people. Amen!

Resources: R. C. Sproul, The Gospel of Mark; Tim Keller, Christ the King; Life Application Bible Commentary, Mark; Jason Meyer, Mark for You; Gaebelin (Ed.), The Expositor's Bible Commentary: Mark