

Jesus: Serving, Sovereign Savior
Mark 2:13-28 – Lessons from Questions

Intro: If you could ask Jesus anything, what would it be?

I. A Question of _____ – 2:13-17 (vs. 16)

A. His _____

B. His _____

C. His _____

Among the reasons that Jesus went to Matthew's house was to teach that being separate from "sinners" is not in his lesson plan.

II. A Question of _____ – 2:18-22 (vs. 18)

What the _____ offer does not work. It is religion. It is ritual. It is man-made.

New on _____ and _____ in old does not work. Old religious rituals do not mix with the truth that Jesus taught.

III. A Question of _____ – 2:23-28 (vs. 24)

_____ – Created to be a blessing, not a burden; to meet the needs of people.

People need to rest; to refocus on God; to rejoice in what God has done and continues to do; to respond with loving compassion towards others and not with legalistic control.

Even on the Sabbath compassion, doing good, saving a life, and providing for a need is not wrong.

Application. What is the challenge to our lives based on these questions asked and the answers given by Jesus?

1. _____ is more important than separation – 2:17

2. _____ is more important than tradition – 2:21-22

3. _____ is more important than regulation – 2:25

Jesus wants our lives to be led by Him and His Word, and not by man's opinions, regulations, traditions, or religions.

Conclusion: Larry King wanted to ask Jesus a history defining question. Jesus has a life defining question for you.

Small Group Questions

1. If you could ask Jesus anything, what would it be?
2. How did Jesus show himself a friend of sinners? What can we learn from his example?
3. How did the Pharisees take fasting and the Sabbath and make them a burden to people?
4. What are examples of “old garments” or “old wineskins” that people or religions seek to attach the Gospel to?
5. How are lives like an old garment that just cannot be patched up?
6. What did Jesus mean that the Sabbath was made for man? From the sermon notes, discuss how God intended people to benefit from the Sabbath. How can Christians experience these benefits?
7. Discuss what is meant by salvation is more important than separation, transformation is more important than tradition, and revelation is more important than regulation.
8. How is God calling you to think differently?
9. What is God calling you to do as you go about your daily life?