

“JESUS: LORD OF THE SABBATH”
(Matthew 12:9-14; Mark 3:1-6; Luke 6:6-11)

I. The Ministry of Jesus Christ

A. Jesus Trip to Jerusalem

1. The Sabbath day rest was for _____ under the law, not for the _____ under grace (John 1:17)
2. The church today observes the Sabbath when each member _____.
3. Last time I gave you some faith rest principles we need to _____ for our day

B. The Controversy About Breaking the Sabbath (Mt 12:1-20)

1. About _____ on the Sabbath (Mt 12:1-8)
2. About _____ on the Sabbath (Mt 12:9-13)

*The purpose of this section is to demonstrate the lack of biblical foundation for the Pharisaic _____ to Jesus and it results in an escalation of the Pharisees' _____.

C. Comparative Observations About Breaking the Sabbaths

1. Whereas that first story has the Pharisees merely _____ Jesus with a _____, the second has them openly seeking to _____ Him so they can accuse Him of _____.
2. Whereas that first story has Jesus making an _____ about who _____ is in relationship to the Sabbath, this second has Him _____ it before His accusers in a bold, public _____ of His divine power on the Sabbath.
3. Whereas the first story ends with the Pharisees _____ and humiliated by Jesus' _____, the second ends with them _____ together to do away with or _____ Him.
4. The previous two Sabbath controversies had occurred _____ the fact, but Jesus, knowing the intent of the Jewish leaders and their plot, forced a show-down _____ the fact in this instance.

D. The Setting for the Controversy (Matthew 12:9-10; Luke 6:6-7; Mark 3:1-2)

1. On another Sabbath, Jesus _____ a synagogue to _____
2. On this occasion there is a man with a _____ hand

3. The question they asked Jesus: "Is it _____ on the Sabbath"?

E. Jesus Answer to the Controversy (Matthew 12:11-14; Luke 6:8-11; Mark 3:3-6)

1. Because Jesus knew their _____, He asked the Pharisees a series of _____:

- a. "What man among you would not _____ fallen into a _____ on the Sabbath"?
- b. "How much more _____ is a (this) man than an animal"?
- c. "Is it lawful to do _____ on the Sabbath"? (12:12b)

2. Jesus' conclusion: "Therefore, It is _____"!

3. Jesus then _____ the man!

4. Jesus was both _____ and _____ at the hardness of their hearts.

Ephesians 4:26-27

5. The Pharisees were filled with selfish unintelligent _____ toward Jesus!

6. The Pharisees conspired with the Herodians on how they might _____ Jesus

What does all this mean to you?