

Jesus the Disrupter

Gospel of Mark Series – Part 8

Scripture text – Mark 2:13-22

Introduction

- A “disrupter” is somebody who pushes the _____ of what is considered acceptable, normal and appropriate.
- _____ was a disrupter, which Mark now demonstrates in _____ quick stories.

Story #1

1. The Scene

- Jesus happens by a _____, whom he invites to join his _____ circle.
- Tax collectors were considered _____ and were notorious for their _____.
- The Pharisees:
 - a. Both a _____ & _____ party.
 - b. Small, but _____.
 - c. They _____ the Law.
 - d. They feared _____.

2. The Accusation

- Jesus wasn't just pushing boundaries, he was _____ through.

3. The Response

- Jesus compares himself to a _____. This means being among the _____.
- The Pharisees had taken separation too _____. They needed to be _____ concerned about people and _____ concerned about being personally contaminated.

Application

- This is a difficult issue to navigate: How to be _____ the world (representing Christ) without being contaminated _____ the world.

- There's no easy answer or formula. The important thing is to feel the _____ of this issue and to _____ with it under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
- It's entirely possible for different Christians to come to different _____ about this.

Story #2

1. The Setting

- It must have been either a _____ or _____ because the Pharisees _____ on these days.
- This is what the _____ spiritual did.

2. The Accusation

- The accusation was that Jesus & his followers weren't doing the things _____ people did; they weren't conforming to expectations.

3. The Response

- The short answer was that fasting, while not a bad practice, was not _____ to the occasion.
- Similarly, the religion of the Pharisees was no longer appropriate given the _____ that Jesus brought to the earth.

Application

- The centerpiece of the new religion Jesus brought is _____, not _____.
- The premise of the old is that a person _____ right with God by _____ fulfilling the law.
- The premise of the new is that a person is _____ right with God by _____ fulfilling the law.
- Even so, the religion of the Pharisees needs to be _____ in every age. This is because we _____ on contributing something to our salvation.

Conclusion

- Jesus is the ultimate _____, about whom we cannot be _____.
- We are either _____ him or _____ him (Matthew 12:30).