



JESUS

LIONMAN *of* JUDAH

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PART 30: **NEW, IT'S ALL NEW...**

Mark 2:18-22; Matthew 9:14-17; Luke 5: 33-39

A FRESH START

"Jesus did not come to patch up the old religious system of Judaism with its rules and traditions. His purpose was to fulfill it and start something new, though it had been prophesied for centuries. Jesus Christ, God's Son, came to earth to offer all people forgiveness of sins and reconciliation with God. The gospel did not fit into the old rigid legalistic system of religion. It needed a fresh start. The message will always remain "new" because it must be accepted and applied in every generation. When we follow Christ, we must be prepared for new ways to live, new ways to look at people, and new ways to serve." – Bruce Barton

1. Jesus came to save **SINNERS** not **THE RIGHTEOUS** .

(Mark 2:13-17)

2. Jesus came to bring **GLADNESS** not **SADNESS** .
(Mark 2:18-20)

3. Jesus came to **INTRODUCE** the new, not **PATCH UP**
the old.
(Mark 2:21-22)

HOMework



Open Your Group in Prayer. Use the Prayer Guide on the next page for Suggestions.

1. What type of person are you? Are you the type that when something breaks or tears you fix it and mend it? Or are you the type that tosses it and replaces it? Why?

Read Mark 2:18-22

2. **Read Leviticus 16:29, 31; 23:27, 29, 31.** Why did John's disciples and the Pharisees fast?
3. Have you ever fasted? Why or why not? If so, what was the experience like?
4. Why didn't Jesus' disciples fast? When will they?
5. How do the three illustrations Jesus gives answer the question the people asked in v. 18?
6. What is the "new wine"?
7. What are the "old wineskins"?
8. How has the "wine" of Jesus, the "wine" of the Gospel, burst some of your "old wineskins"?
9. Why is the "wine" of Jesus continually new? (Hint: read the intro on page one, "A Fresh Start")
10. How does/should this affect the way we do ministry as a church?
11. Luke concludes his account of this interaction with another line from Jesus: **"But no one who drinks the old wine seems to want the new wine. 'The old is just fine,' they say." (Luke 5:39, NLT).** Jesus is using irony here to condemn the Pharisees for preferring the past and rejecting the arrival of the new covenant and Jesus' Kingdom. How do you do at this? Are you more interested in preserving the past, or in advancing Jesus' Kingdom?

6:7 family questions

Read Mark 2:1-12

A “paralytic” is someone who is unable to move some part (or all) of their body. The man in this passage had to be carried by his four friends just to get around.

- Where were the man’s friends taking him?
- What did they do when they couldn’t get into the house? What would you have done?
- Why did they go through all the trouble to get him into the house?
- What two things did Jesus do for the man? (vs. 5, 11-12)

Identify one or two friends/family members who may not know Jesus. Discuss their need for him and ways you could “bring them” to Jesus. Pray that God would help you do those things.

These simple questions are designed to help you live out the command in Deuteronomy 6:7 to teach our kids and make God’s Word a natural topic of conversation in our homes. Use them at the dinner table, in the car, or whenever you find your family together with a few moments to spare.

PRAYER GUIDE

WEEK OF AUGUST 31, 2014

During your prayer time this week, let’s all be praying together about the following items.

Use the space at the bottom to record your personal prayer items, or requests from your 1:10 Group.

NOTE: *Due to the sensitive nature of some items on the Prayer Guide, we do not publish it online. Email the church office to sign up for the email prayer list: office@wawaseebible.com*