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Sabbath
Luke 6:1-16
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Using This Study

❶ EXAMINE His Word

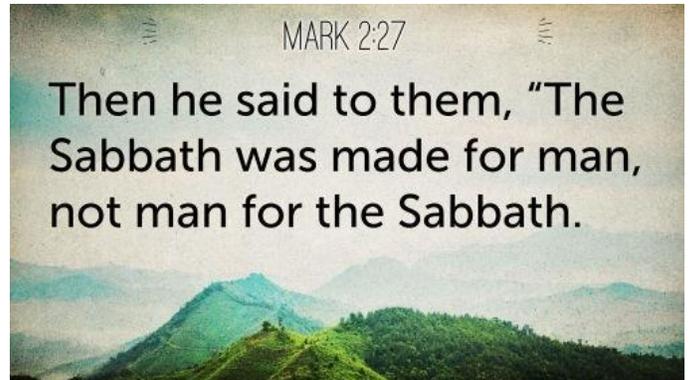
What does God SAY? Open your time with prayer. The words God uses to communicate matters, so go back and pay close attention to the details that are emphasized or repeated in the passage.

❷ EXPLORE His Word

What does God MEAN? Asking questions of the text helps surface how the details relate to the message God wants to communicate.

❸ EMBRACE His Word

Why does it MATTER to me? Embrace God by responding to what you discover in His word in faith and obedience.



This week we are starting chapter 6 of Luke. In chapter 6 Jesus is confronted by the Pharisees about breaking the Sabbath. His disciples pick grain as they walked through the fields and the Pharisees see this as breaking the law of the Sabbath. Then Jesus heals a man with a withered hand on the Sabbath and the Pharisees are enraged. It is hard to imagine someone getting upset about another person being healed. However there are times when we are still more concerned with the law than the opportunity for someone to grow closer to Christ. Join us this week as we look at the condition of the heart and how we can focus on the heart, not the law.



Luke 6:1-16 NET

Lord of the Sabbath

6 Jesus was going through the grain fields on a Sabbath, and his disciples picked some heads of wheat, rubbed them in their hands, and ate them. **2** But some of the Pharisees said, "Why are you doing what is against the law on the Sabbath?" **3** Jesus answered them, "Haven't you read what David did when he and his companions were hungry— **4** how he entered the house of God, took and ate the sacred bread, which is not lawful for any to eat but the priests alone, and gave it to his companions?" **5** Then he said to them, "The Son of Man is lord of the Sabbath."

Healing a Withered Hand

6 On another Sabbath, Jesus entered the synagogue and was teaching. Now a man was there whose right hand was withered. **7** The experts in the law and the Pharisees watched Jesus closely to see if he would heal on the Sabbath, so that they could find a reason to accuse him. **8** But he knew their thoughts, and said to the man who had the withered hand, "Get up and stand here." So he rose and stood there. **9** Then Jesus said to them, "I ask you, is it lawful to do good on the Sabbath or to do evil, to save a life or to destroy it?" **10** After looking around at them all, he said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." The man did so, and his hand was restored. **11** But they were filled with mindless rage and began debating with one another what they would do to Jesus.

Choosing the Twelve Apostles

12 Now it was during this time that Jesus went out to the mountain to pray, and he spent all night in prayer to God. **13** When morning came, he called his disciples and chose twelve of them, whom he also named apostles: **14** Simon (whom he named Peter), and his brother Andrew; and James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, **15** Matthew, Thomas, James the son of Alphaeus, Simon who was called the Zealot, **16** Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

o EXAMINE His Word (Observation) (For personal preparation)

What does God SAY? Prayerfully note significant details and terms emphasized in the foregoing passage.

1. Who is involved in the text? Author, audience, main characters.
2. Where and when is this taking place? Geography and timeline.
3. What actions are carried out or commanded? Look for the verbs.
4. Is there anything repeated?
5. What is emphasized?
6. Is there anything in these passages that is related to other areas of scripture?
7. Are there things to be noted that are alike or unlike such as similes and metaphors?

2 EXPLORE His Word (Interpretation) (For Community Group discussion)
What does God MEAN?

8. How did Jesus' disciples violate the Sabbath? What distinction is there between what the disciples did (v.1) and what David did (v. 4) in relation to the Law?

9. What does it mean to be lord of the Sabbath?

10. Is it against the Old Testament Law to heal on the Sabbath?

11. Was Jesus changing the laws of the Sabbath?

12. What is the principal behind the Sabbath laws?

13. Why do we not follow the Sabbath today?

③ **EMBRACE His Word (Application)** (For Community Group discussion)
Why does this MATTER to me?

14. Should we apply the principal of the Sabbath to our lives today? How do we do that?

15. How do we know when to apply the principle of the law and when to apply the letter of the law?

16. The Pharisees were filled with rage when Jesus healed because they had already made up their minds about Him. Are there things that we make up our mind about today without looking for what is truly good?

Summarize your thoughts on the passage

Write about what God wants you to **KNOW**, to **FEEL**, and to **DO**...

Sermon Notes