

HOW GOD SEES IT

Matthew 12:1-14

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. 9 Six days you shall labor and do all your work, 10 but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work Exodus 20:8-11

(vv.1-2) When you come into your neighbor's standing grain, you may pluck the heads with your hand, but you shall not use a sickle on your neighbor's standing grain. Deuteronomy 23:25 (NKJV)

The Pharisees placed _____ on par with Scripture but Jesus points to God's _____ (vv.3-4)

God's Heart: Human _____ takes precedence over religious _____ (vv.3-4)

David answered Ahimelech the priest, "... 3 Now then, what do you have on hand? Give me five loaves of bread, or whatever you can find." 4 But the priest answered David, "I don't have any ordinary bread on hand; however, there is some consecrated bread here..." 1 Samuel 21:1-7

'Then on the sabbath day two male lambs one year old without defect, and two-tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering, and its drink offering: 10 'This is the burnt offering of every sabbath in addition to the continual burnt offering and its drink offering. Numbers 28:9-10

The Pharisees valued religious _____ over _____
But God values _____ over religious _____ (vv.6-8)
For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, Hosea 6:6

Jesus proclaims to them that He is _____ (v.8)

Religious people turn what was given as a _____ into a _____
...one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John also taught his disciples." 2 And He said to them, " When you pray, say: ' Father, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Luke 11:1-2

Healing on the Sabbath (vv.9-13)

Withered: xeros - (through the idea of scorching); arid; by implication shrunken, earth (as opposed to water)

Jesus answers their question with a bigger question:

Then Jesus asked them, "Which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?" But they remained silent. Mark 3:4

(v.13)

He looked around at them in anger and, deeply distressed at their stubborn hearts, said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." Mark 3:5

When Jesus gives the _____ to do something
He always gives the _____ to do it (v.13)

6 Then the Lord said, "Put your hand inside your cloak." So Moses put his hand into his cloak, and when he took it out, it was leprous, like snow. 7 "Now put it back into your cloak," he said. So Moses put his hand back into his cloak, and when he took it out, it was restored, like the rest of his flesh. Exodus 4:6-7

Why Come to Worship?

For Jesus: There is nothing for Him to _____

While there is bombarded with _____

Jesus went to worship even though He had good reason to _____

Goes to the place of worship to be a _____ to others

The Man with the Withered Hand:

Still goes to worship. He hasn't _____

Apparently, he realized this isn't _____

It's embarrassing when everyone knows your _____

...who sinned, this man or his parents, that he should be born blind?"

John 9:2