

GOOD AND GRACIOUS KING

LORD OF EVERYTHING

MARK 2:18-3:12

"I am trying here to prevent anyone saying the really foolish thing that people often say about Him: I'm ready to accept Jesus as a great moral teacher, but I don't accept his claim to be God.

That is the one thing we must not say. A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic—on the level with the man who says he is a poached egg—or else he would be the

Devil of Hell. You must make your choice.

Either this man was, and is, the Son of God, or else a madman or something worse."

"You can shut him up for a fool, you can spit at him and kill him as a demon or you can fall at his feet and call him Lord and God, but let us not come with any patronising nonsense about his being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to... Now it seems to me obvious that He was neither a lunatic nor a fiend: and consequently, however strange or terrifying or unlikely it may seem, I have to accept the view that He was and is God."

C.S. Lewis



LORD OF FASTING

"Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting. Some people came and asked Jesus, "How is it that John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees are fasting, but yours are not?" Jesus answered, "How can the guests of the bridegroom fast while he is with them? They cannot, so long as they have him with them. But the time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them, and on that day they will fast..."

MARK 2:18-20

LORD OF FASTING

"...No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment.

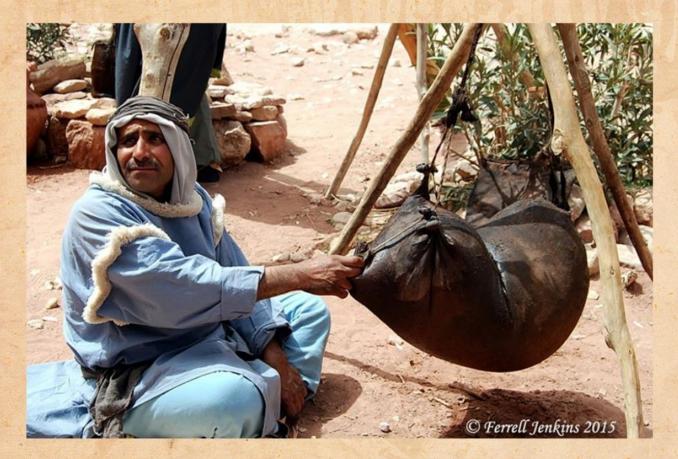
Otherwise, the new piece will pull away from the old, making the tear worse. And no one pours new wine into old wineskins.

Otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and both the wine and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins."

MARK 2:21-22

"Marriage feasts were times of extraordinary festivity, and even of riot, among several people of the east."

Adam Clarke



"Jesus' message was bold and clear: 'I'm not like the **Pharisees or John the Baptist. I am the Messiah,** the bridegroom to the people of God. Wherever I am, it is appropriate to have the joy we associate with weddings."

David Guzik

"Jesus' point was made clear by these examples. You can't fit His new life into the old forms. Jesus traded fasting for feasting; sackcloth and ashes for a robe of righteousness; a spirit of heaviness for a garment of praise; mourning for joy; and law for grace. Jesus came to introduce something new, not to patch up something old. This is what salvation is all about. In doing this, Jesus doesn't destroy the old (the law), but He fulfills it."

David Guzik

LORD OF SABBATH

"He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you make it a den of robbers."

MATTHEW 21:13

"These I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples."

ISAIAH 56:7

LORD OF THE PEOPLE

"Jesus withdrew with his disciples to the lake, and a large crowd from Galilee followed. When they heard about all he was doing, many people came to him from Judea, Jerusalem, Idumea, and the regions across the Jordan and around Tyre and Sidon. Because of the crowd he told his disciples to have a small boat ready for him, to keep the people from crowding him. For he had healed many, so that those with diseases were pushing forward to touch him."

MARK 3:7-10

Instead of hiding, escaping or avoiding the crowd,

Jesus makes a plan. He has the disciples grab a boat, he
pushes away from the shore and interacts with the crowd.

"For he had healed many, so that those with diseases were pushing forward to touch him."

MARK 3:10

"Now there are also many other things that Jesus did. Were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written."

JOHN 21:25

LORD OF THE SPIRITS

"Whenever the impure spirits saw him, they fell down before him and cried out, "You are the Son of God." But he gave them strict orders not to tell others about him."

MARK 3:11-12

"What have you to do with us, O Son of God? Have you come to torment us before the time?"

MATTHEW 8:29

IS HE LORD OF YOUR LIFE?

"Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

ROMANS 10:9-13



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