

# PREACHING CURRICULUM

SIMPLY FOLLOWING JESUS— MARK 2:18-3:6

NO MERIT OF OUR OWN

*...self righteousness, by definition, makes following Jesus impossible...*

## 1 REVIEW THE SERMON

LEADER NOTES: Encourage your members to pull out their notes and review the main points of the sermon. (9-12 mins)

If we ask ourselves: 'What is the purpose of the Law'; what insight does our own answer give us about our relationship with Jesus?

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How do the metaphors Jesus presents (wedding, cloth, wineskin), inform us of the view of the Gospel/Law relationship Jesus has?

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What is more important:

**The person**

**The law guiding the person**

What are some of the indicators of being like a Pharisee? \_\_\_\_\_

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## 2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

LEADER NOTES: Evaluate the condition of your lives in relation to the truth from God's Word. Encourage heart examination. (12-15 mins)

Which of the indicators of being like a Pharisee hits closest to home? \_\_\_\_\_

How might the love you show in your relationships be contingent upon a selfish motive? \_\_\_\_\_

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What does our reflection of Jesus look like to others? \_\_\_\_\_

## 3 APPLY THE TRUTH

LEADER NOTES: Create a list of ways to close the gap between your lives and the truth of the Bible. Be practical and intentional. (12-15 mins)

When faced with the truth and a call to change, how will you respond? \_\_\_\_\_

In what area of life is God calling you to a more selfless and loving attitude? \_\_\_\_\_

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## 4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

LEADER NOTES: Call your small group members to make a commitment and get the group working together to follow-up with each other. (9-12)

What will we do this week to truly embrace the New Covenant? \_\_\_\_\_

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Who will you love selflessly this week? How will you love this person selflessly?

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