

King and Cross || Rules and Rebellion

Group Notes

INTRODUCTION

In we see the religious leaders loved rules and Jesus loved people. As we learned this past weekend, Jesus tells us what is truly important. We see the heart of the Servant as he states what his priorities are and what ours should be: people over rules, intimacy over familiarity, and God's family over earthly families. Rules without relationship will equal rebellion. Rules with relationship, overtime, equals rightness. Resting in the love of Jesus is what empowers us to obey the rules.

CONVERSATION STARTERS

1. What is your favorite thing to do on the weekend other than church?
2. If you could go somewhere to get away and rest, where would you go and why?

SERMON NOTES REVIEW

Looking back at your message notes from this weekend's teaching, was there anything that caught your attention, challenged you, or confused you?

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GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Is there a relationship in your life that you wish they could "see what you see, so they would do what you say?"
2. Read [Mark 2:23-3:6](#) . In what ways is this passage not so much about what we should do or not do on the Sabbath, as it is about who Jesus is?
3. In what ways does the heart of the Pharisees in [Mark 3:2](#) mirror our hearts before we follow Jesus?
4. Read [Mark 3:5](#). What emotions does Jesus feel towards the Pharisees? Why do you think he felt this way?
5. How quick are you to recognize the seeds of rebellion in your own life and what are some ways you can stop the seeds from growing?
6. In what ways do you struggle with showing mercy to others? Do you find yourself leaning more toward legalism (rigid rule following like the Pharisees) or toward showing mercy (like Jesus did)? How can you show more mercy to others?

PRAYER

Take time and thank Jesus that you are free from the burden of the Law and that you are grateful that you find rest and peace (Sabbath) in Him. As a group, spend time praying over each other. If you are bold enough, maybe share an area that you struggle with rebellion and allow a group member to pray for you. Ask Jesus to give you strength and guidance in this area and be open to Him for help.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Summer Global Mission Trip registrations will be closing March 1. If you have been considering joining one of our teams in Nicaragua or South Africa, please be sure to secure your spot now with your \$100 deposit. For more information about our Global Mission Trip opportunities or to register, visit world.sv.cc or contact Ashley Smallwood at asmallwood@sunvalleycc.com with any questions.
- Baptisms are coming up on March 4th & 5th. Find out more and register at baptism.sv.cc