



"NOT SO FAST! NOT REFORMING, TRANSFORMING!"

MARK 2:21-22 BIBLE STUDY SLIDES

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Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting. And [people] come saying to Him, "Why do the disciples of John as well as the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?" (Mk 2:18, AT)





And Jesus said to them, "The wedding party cannot fast while the groom is [still] with them now can they? As long as they have time [where] the groom is with them, they cannot fast." (Mk 2:19, AT)





But the days will come when the bridegroom shall be taken away [ἀπαίρω | apairo from them, and then they will fast on that day. (Mk 2:20, AT)





20 Very truly I tell you, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy. 21 A woman giving birth to a child has pain because her time has come; but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish because of her joy that a child is born into the world. 22 So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away $[\alpha i\rho \omega \mid air\bar{o}]$ your joy. (Jn 16:20-22, NIV)





Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said,

"Never will I leave you;

never will I forsake you." (Heb 13:5, NIV)





But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you (Jn 16:7, NIV)





51 While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. 52 Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. 53 And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God (Lk 24:51-53, NIV)





"Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son and they shall call Him by the name, "Immanuel" (which is translated, "God With Us"). (Mt 1:23, AT)





For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." (Mt 18:20, NIV)





18 And having come near, Jesus spoke to them saying, "All authority in heaven and on the earth has been given to Me." 19 Go, therefore, [and] make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit – teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And, listen: I am with you always – until the consummation of the age. (Mt 28:18-20, AT)





Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope (1 Th 4:13, NIV)





For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. (1 Th 4:14, NIV)





15 According to the Lord's word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. (1 Th 4:15-16, NIV)





17 After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. 18 Therefore encourage one another with these words. (1 Th 4:17-18, NIV)





He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing. (1 Th 5:10-11, NIV)



REJOICING AND PRAISING, NOT MOURNING AND FASTING



- 10 **Blessed** are those who are **persecuted because of righteousness** because the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.
- 11 **Blessed** are you whenever they insult you and **persecute** [you], and falsely say all kinds of evil things against you **because of Me**. 12
- **Rejoice** and **be glad**, because your reward is great in Heaven! For, in the same way, they persecuted the prophets before you.

(Mt 5:10-12, AT)



REJOICING AND PRAISING, NOT MOURNING AND FASTING



15 If you suffer, it should not be as a murderer or thief or any other kind of criminal, or even as a meddler. 16 However, if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name. (1 Pet 4:15-16, NIV)



FAST FOR THE RIGHT REASONS



16 Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day. 17 These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ. (Col 2:16-17, NIV)



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16 "When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. 17 But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, 18 so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. (Mt 6:16-18, NIV)



ONLY BY PRAYER AND FASTING?*



28 After Jesus had gone indoors, his disciples asked him privately, "Why couldn't we drive it out?" 29 He replied, "This kind can come out only by prayer." (Mk 9:28-29, NIV)



ONLY BY PRAYER AND FASTING?*



Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits. (Mk 6:7, NIV)



FAST FOR THE RIGHT REASONS



After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry.

(Mt 4:2, NIV)



FAST FOR THE RIGHT REASONS



Paul and Barnabas appointed elders for them in each church and, with **prayer and fasting**, committed them to the Lord, in whom they had put their trust. (Ac 14:23, NIV)



MARK 2:21 DON'T WRONGLY MIX THE OLD AND NEW



No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment. Otherwise, that which fills [the cloth] takes away [αἴρω | airō] from it – the new from the old – and the tear becomes worse. (Mk 2:21, AT)



MARK 2:22 DON'T WRONGLY MIX THE OLD AND NEW



And no one puts wine that is beginning to ferment into old wineskins. Otherwise, the wine will burst the wineskins and the wine is lost – as well as the wineskins. Rather, wine that is beginning to ferment [goes] into new wineskins. (Mk 2:22, AT)





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33 "This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time," declares the LORD [YHWH]. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, 'Know the LORD [YHWH],' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," declares the LORD [YHWH]. "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more." (Jer 31:33-34, NIV)





In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the **new covenant in my blood**; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." (1 Cor 11:25, NIV)