



The Demonstration of Divine Privilege

Luke 6:1-11

Sermon Study Notes

Jesus didn't come to patch up my life; He came to give me new life.

Our temptation is to be contented with repair instead of replacement.

When we miss the point and don't understand the nature of a gift, we're likely to treat it in a way other than how it was meant to be enjoyed, and in so doing we misuse and abuse the gift.

The Law of the Sabbath:

It was rudimentary.

It was rhythmic.

It was a day of rest.

It was relational.

It was righteous.

It was radical.

It was a reminder.

When we misuse and abuse the good gifts of God we transform blessings into burdens.

"It is only a few steps down from no Sabbath to no God." - J.C. Ryle

I. The Declaration of Divine Privilege in the Gathering of Grain

Our temptation is to care more about the rules than the Ruler.

We must admit the authority of Christ.

II. The Display of Divine Privilege in the Healing of a Hand

A. Jesus' authority binds the broken.

B. Jesus' authority infuriates the imposters. (*Pharisees preach, but they do not practice.*)

C. Jesus' authority demands a decision.

Our temptation is to judge the Judge.

We must accept the Lordship of Christ.

III. The Demand of Divine Privilege in the Ministry of Mercy

Our temptation is to be distracted rather than to make disciples.

"God has a right to interrupt your life. He is Lord. When you accepted Him as Lord, you gave Him the right to help Himself to your life anytime He wants." - Henry Blackaby

A. The mercy of God must be reflected in our social ethics. (*There's a big difference between a hand up and a hand out.*)

B. The mercy of God must be reflected in our spiritual ethos. (*Are we more concerned with the Sabbath or with souls?*)

We must admire the heart of Christ.

"Wouldn't it be a tragedy to get to the top of the ladder and realize you placed it against the wrong wall?" - Henry Blackaby

In the end, we either respond to Jesus or we reject Him.