

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: February 18, 2018
Mark 2:18-27

1. What were people upset with Jesus about in verse 18? _____
2. Why were the disciples of John and the disciples of the Pharisees fasting?
 - a. They probably just wanted everybody to know how spiritual they were...
 - b. There were certain days in the Jewish calendar, such as the Day of Atonement, when the Jews were supposed to deny themselves (fast) and recognize God's provision in their lives (see Leviticus 16:29).
 - c. Jews fasted as a way of mourning.
3. Why weren't Jesus's disciples fasting?
 - a. He didn't think it was important.
 - b. He said that it wasn't time, but it would be time when he was no longer with them.
 - c. He was noting a change in the provision...and focus. Jesus was the atonement.
 - d. New wine goes in new wine skins.
4. What is Jesus talking about, when he refers to wine and wineskins?
 - a. Wine. _____
 - b. Wineskins. _____
5. Are there still examples of old wineskins in the church today? Yes_____ No_____ Explain. _____

6. What was happening in verse 23-24?
 - a. Jesus was going through the grainfields on the Sabbath.
 - b. His disciples began to pick some heads of grain.
 - c. The Pharisees challenged Jesus because the disciples were breaking the law.
7. How did Jesus respond, according to verses 25-27?
 - a. You're right, I'm so sorry!
 - b. David and his companions did it!
 - c. The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.
8. What did Jesus mean by his comments about the Sabbath?
 - a. The Sabbath isn't important.
 - b. The Sabbath is a gift to help us rest from our busyness and work and keep God first in our lives.
 - c. Genesis 1:1 does not say, "In the beginning, God created the law...and then he created man to follow it."
 - d. The law was given FOR us...for our benefit and to direct us to right relationship with God, but it shouldn't be used as a weapon against people who ARE in right relationship with God (See also 1 Timothy 1:9).