

Sermon Discussion Guide

Sabbath-Breakers and the Sabbath-Bringer

Mark 2:2-23-3:6

Who is in charge of the Sabbath? (2:23-28)

Deut 23:25; Ex 31:14; 1 Sam 21:1-6

- What did the Pharisees mean when they said that the disciples were doing what was not lawful?
- How had the Pharisees lost sight of the purpose of the Sabbath?
- What does Jesus reveal about his identity?
- How have you found that your lists may miss the purpose of the law?
- How can lists keep us from depending upon God?

Who really keeps the Sabbath? (3:1-6)

Deut 30:15

- How does Jesus expose the condition of the Pharisee's hearts?
- How is their hard-heartedness demonstrated in this passage?
- How would looking to Jesus change their response?
- How does Jesus' work as the Sabbath-bringer give us hope and keep us from being Pharisaical?