

THE LORD OF THE SABBATH

Luke 6:1-11

Key verse 5

Discussion questions:

- What is wrong with the Pharisees' view of the Sabbath?
- How can we live with Jesus as the Lord of the Sabbath in our lives?

Inductive study questions:

1. What were the disciples doing on a Sabbath day? (1) Was their anything wrong with what they were doing? (Dt 23:25) Why were the Pharisees there? In the legalistic eyes of the Pharisees, how were the disciples breaking the Sabbath law? (2)
2. What story does Jesus give to help the Pharisees understand what Jesus was doing? (3; 1Sa 21:1-6) What should the Pharisees have understood about God's mercy from this story? What should we learn about the law and God? What does it mean that Jesus is "Lord of the Sabbath"?
3. What shows the corruption in the hearts of the Pharisees? (6-7) Think about their attitude to Jesus and to the man. How did Jesus try to teach the Pharisees here about what is lawful on the Sabbath? (8-9; cf 2b) How did Jesus heal the man? (10) Why were the Pharisees so angry? (11) How does Jesus, the Lord of the Sabbath, do good and save life today?