

The Righteousness of Christ (Luke 5:33-39)

I. Man Desires His Own Righteousness (33-35)

A. Religious Men Keep Religious Rituals (33)

1. Pharisees and John's Disciples fast
2. Jesus' Disciples don't fast
 - a. The only fast required was day of atonement (Lev. 23:27)
 - b. They fasted 2x week to add to righteousness

B. Religious Ritual Does Not Bring Righteousness (34-35)

1. Fasting is suspended during wedding weeks (34)
 - a. Jesus shows them that it is ritual
 - b. They don't fast during wedding ceremonies
 - Jesus understood that their fasts were only ritual
2. Fasting Should be From Heartfelt Devotion (35)
 - a. Jesus said his disciples will fast
 - b. The disciples fast will be from the heart not ritual

II. Jesus Brings a New Righteousness (36-39)

A. Jesus' Parable of the Old and New (36-38)

1. The New Cannot Simply Be added to the Old (36-38)
 - a. Man Won't Destroy a New Garment to Fix an Old (36)
 - i. Both would Be ruined
 - b. Man Won't Waste New Wine In Old Skins (37-38)
 - i. Wine Expands as it ages
 - ii. New Skins stretch with the Wine
 - iii. Old stretched skins burst

B. Men Desire to Keep Their Old Ways

1. They want to Work for their righteousness
2. They won't see themselves as wretched

C. You Can't add Jesus onto a works system

1. Anything but Jesus is worthless
2. To combine the two is to destroy both.