



PREACHING CURRICULUM

Lawless or Lord? Matt 12:1-21

“When our desire to keep the rules leads us to add to the rules and act without mercy, we sin. In contrast, Christ perfectly keeps the rules, while exercising mercy, in order to redeem lawbreakers from their sin.”

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

What is Legalism? What causes Legalism to creep into churches? What are the consequences of Legalism? _____

Why do many Christians add rules to God’s Law where there are no rules? What could be their motivation? _____

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

Have you ever experienced legalism in your home or in the life of the Church? What did this look like for you personally? Would you say you’re more prone to legalism, mercy, or lawlessness in your own life? _____

What rules do you or have you held so deeply that are not actually in the Bible? How has this incorrect thinking led you to be uncharitable or lacking in mercy toward those that don’t fit your ideal? _____

3 APPLY THE TRUTH

How can you identify legalism in yourself or others? How will you avoid it in your own life if and when you see it? What can you do or not do to encourage living out your Christian liberty well? _____

Who in your life needs to be free of Legalism and pride? What can/should you say to encourage them in Christ? _____

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

How will you make your life/home/family free from Legalism this week? _____

5 PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAISE REPORTS

DATE: _____

PERSON	REQUEST	ANSWER/PRAISE REPORT