



## **SERMON NOTES**

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Scripture: Luke 5:33-39 (NAS)

Topic: "Man-Made Religion"

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- 33 And they said to Him, "The disciples of John often fast and offer prayers, the disciples of the Pharisees also do the same, but Yours eat and drink."  
34 And Jesus said to them, "You cannot make the attendants of the bridegroom fast while the bridegroom is with them, can you?  
35 "But the days will come; and when the bridegroom is taken away from them, then they will fast in those days."  
36 And He was also telling them a parable: "No one tears a piece of cloth from a new garment and puts it on an old garment; otherwise he will both tear the new, and the piece from the new will not match the old.  
37 "And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise the new wine will burst the skins and it will be spilled out, and the skins will be ruined.  
38 "But new wine must be put into fresh wineskins.  
39 "And no one, after drinking old wine wishes for new; for he says, 'The old is good enough.'"

### **I. THE PHARISEES FAULT-FINDING MISSION**

- A. He Forgives Sin
- B. He Eats With Tax Collectors
- C. He Does Not Encourage Fasting
- D. Man's Laws Support Judgmentalism

### **II. FALSE RELIGION**

- A. Asceticism And Legalism Add To God's Word
- B. They Promote False Means Of Conquering Sin
- C. They Steal Away The Joy *Philippians 4:4; Nehemiah 8:10*
- D. They Are A Religion Of Do And Don't

### **III. CRITICAL ATTITUDE SPAWNED BY FALSE RELIGION**

- A. The Issue Raised Is Fasting
- B. They Mandated And Practiced It To Be Seen Of Men *Luke 18:10-13*
- C. Jesus Later Addressed Their Wrong Practices *Matthew 6:16-18*

### **IV. JESUS GIVES PARABLES**

- A. The Bridal Party
- B. A New Patch On An Old Garment
- C. New Wine In Old Wine Skins
- D. The Old Wine Is Better
- E. All Cite Things One Does Not Do

### **APPLICTION:**

1. Warned against man-made rule
2. Warned against judgmentalism
3. There is an appropriate time for everything *Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*
4. Called to joy of following our Savior.