

The Life and Mission of Jesus Christ on Earth

Lesson Ten -- John 5:1-47; Mark 2:23-28; 3:1-12; Matt. 12:1-21; Luke 6:1-11

Summary of Lesson

Jesus attended the second Passover of His ministry (traveling from Capernaum to Jerusalem and back to Capernaum). After His preaching tour through eastern Galilee, Jesus went down to Jerusalem to attend the annual Passover for the second time since the beginning of His ministry. While in Jerusalem, Jesus healed the sick man at the Bethesda pool on the Sabbath day, and then defended His action when the Jews began to persecute Him for the miracle. It was probably on the return trip from Jerusalem to Galilee when He and His disciples passed through the grain fields, and the disciples plucked some of the grain on the Sabbath, for which they were questioned by the Pharisees. After their arrival back in Galilee Jesus healed a man's withered hand, again on the Sabbath, and, perceiving their hardened hearts, He challenged the Pharisees to speak against Him. This they did not do, having lost their previous encounters with Him, but, instead, they went out and took counsel with the Herodians as to how they might kill Jesus, which resulted in Jesus going down by the seaside, where He continued teaching and performing miracles as the multitudes gathered around Him.

John 5:1-47

{1} After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. {2} Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, which is called in Hebrew, Bethesda, having five porches. {3} In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. {4} For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had. {5} Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years. {6} When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" {7} The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me." {8} Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your bed and walk." {9} And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked. And that day was the Sabbath. {10} The Jews therefore said to him who was cured, "It is the Sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your bed." {11} He answered them, "He who made me well said to me, 'Take up your bed and walk.'" {12} Then they asked him, "Who is the Man who said to you, 'Take up your bed and walk'?" {13} But the one who was healed did not know who it was, for

Jesus had withdrawn, a multitude being in that place. {14} Afterward Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you." {15} The man departed and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well. {16} For this reason the Jews persecuted Jesus, and sought to kill Him, because He had done these things on the Sabbath. {17} But Jesus answered them, "My Father has been working until now, and I have been working." {18} Therefore the Jews sought all the more to kill Him, because He not only broke the Sabbath, but also said that God was His Father, making Himself equal with God. {19} Then Jesus answered and said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner. {20} "For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself does; and He will show Him greater works than these, that you may marvel. {21} "For as the Father raises the dead and gives life to them, even so the Son gives life to whom He will. {22} "For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, {23} "that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him. {24} "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears

My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life. {25} "Most assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear will live. {26} "For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself, {27} "and has given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of Man. {28} "Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice {29} "and come forth; those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation. {30} "I can of Myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is righteous, because I do not seek My own will but the will of the Father who sent Me. {31} "If I bear witness of Myself, My witness is not true. {32} "There is another who bears witness of Me, and I know that the witness which He witnesses of Me is true. {33} "You have sent to John, and he has borne witness to the truth. {34} "Yet I do not receive testimony from man, but I say these things that you may be saved. {35} "He was the burning and shining lamp, and you were willing for a time to rejoice in his light. {36} "But I have a greater witness than John's; for the works which the Father has given Me to finish; the very works that I do; bear witness of Me, that the Father has sent Me. {37} "And the Father Himself, who sent Me, has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His form. {38} "But you do not have His word abiding in you, because whom He sent, Him you do not believe. {39} "You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me. {40} "But you are not willing to come to Me that you may have life. {41} "I do not receive honor from men. {42} "But I know you, that you do not have the love of God in you. {43} "I have come in My Father's name, and you do not receive Me; if another comes in his own name, him you will receive. {44} "How can you believe, who receive honor from one another, and do not seek the honor that comes from the only God? {45} "Do not think that I shall accuse you to the Father;

there is one who accuses you; Moses, in whom you trust. {46} "For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me; for he wrote about Me. {47} "But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My words?"

Mark 2:23-28

{23} Now it happened that He went through the grainfields on the Sabbath; and as they went His disciples began to pluck the heads of grain. {24} And the Pharisees said to Him, "Look, why do they do what is not lawful on the Sabbath?" {25} But He said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he was in need and hungry, he and those with him: {26} "how he went into the house of God in the days of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the showbread, which is not lawful to eat, except for the priests, and also gave some to those who were with him?" {27} And He said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. {28} "Therefore the Son of Man is also Lord of the Sabbath."

Mark 3:1-12

{1} And He entered the synagogue again, and a man was there who had a withered hand. {2} So they watched Him closely, whether He would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse Him. {3} And He said to the man who had the withered hand, "Step forward." {4} Then He said to them, "Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?" But they kept silent. {5} And when He had looked around at them with anger, being grieved by the hardness of their hearts, He said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." And he stretched it out, and his hand was restored as whole as the other. {6} Then the Pharisees went out and immediately plotted with the Herodians against Him, how they might destroy Him. {7} But Jesus withdrew with His disciples to the sea. And a great multitude from Galilee followed Him, and from Judea {8} and Jerusalem and Idumea and beyond the Jordan; and those from Tyre and Sidon, a great multitude, when they heard how many things He was doing, came to Him. {9} So He told His disciples that a small boat should be kept ready for Him because of the multitude, lest

they should crush Him. {10} For He healed many, so that as many as had afflictions pressed about Him to touch Him. {11} And the unclean spirits, whenever they saw Him, fell down before Him and cried out, saying, "You are the Son of God." {12} But He sternly warned them that they should not make Him known.

Matthew 12:1-21

{1} At that time Jesus went through the grainfields on the Sabbath. And His disciples were hungry, and began to pluck heads of grain and to eat. {2} And when the Pharisees saw it, they said to Him, "Look, Your disciples are doing what is not lawful to do on the Sabbath!" {3} But He said to them, "Have you not read what David did when he was hungry, he and those who were with him: {4} "how he entered the house of God and ate the showbread which was not lawful for him to eat, nor for those who were with him, but only for the priests? {5} "Or have you not read in the law that on the Sabbath the priests in the temple profane the Sabbath, and are blameless? {6} "Yet I say to you that in this place there is One greater than the temple. {7} "But if you had known what this means, 'I desire mercy and not sacrifice,' you would not have condemned the guiltless. {8} "For the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath." {9} Now when He had departed from there, He went into their synagogue. {10} And behold, there was a man who had a withered hand. And they asked Him, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?"; that they might accuse Him. {11} Then He said to them, "What man is there among you who has one sheep, and if it falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will not lay hold of it and lift it out? {12} "Of how much more value then is a man than a sheep? Therefore it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath." {13} Then He said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." And he stretched it out, and it was restored as whole as the other. {14} Then the Pharisees went out and plotted against Him, how they might destroy Him. {15} But when Jesus knew it, He withdrew from there. And great multitudes followed Him, and He healed them all. {16} Yet He warned them not to make Him known, {17} that it might

be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: {18} "Behold! My Servant whom I have chosen, My Beloved in whom My soul is well pleased! I will put My Spirit upon Him, And He will declare justice to the Gentiles. {19} He will not quarrel nor cry out, Nor will anyone hear His voice in the streets. {20} A bruised reed He will not break, And smoking flax He will not quench, Till He sends forth justice to victory; {21} And in His name Gentiles will trust."

Luke 6:1-11

{1} Now it happened on the second Sabbath after the first that He went through the grainfields. And His disciples plucked the heads of grain and ate them, rubbing them in their hands. {2} And some of the Pharisees said to them, "Why are you doing what is not lawful to do on the Sabbath?" {3} But Jesus answering them said, "Have you not even read this, what David did when he was hungry, he and those who were with him: {4} "how he went into the house of God, took and ate the showbread, and also gave some to those with him, which is not lawful for any but the priests to eat?" {5} And He said to them, "The Son of Man is also Lord of the Sabbath." {6} Now it happened on another Sabbath, also, that He entered the synagogue and taught. And a man was there whose right hand was withered. {7} So the scribes and Pharisees watched Him closely, whether He would heal on the Sabbath, that they might find an accusation against Him. {8} But He knew their thoughts, and said to the man who had the withered hand, "Arise and stand here." And he arose and stood. {9} Then Jesus said to them, "I will ask you one thing: Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do evil, to save life or to destroy?" {10} And when He had looked around at them all, He said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." And he did so, and his hand was restored as whole as the other. {11} But they were filled with rage, and discussed with one another what they might do to Jesus.

Questions on Lesson Ten

1. What does the Son of God give to whom He will?
2. For whom is the Sabbath made?
3. When the multitudes from all over Galilee began to press upon Jesus, what did He have His disciples do to help Him escape?
4. On whom had the Jews set their hope?
5. What was the Hebrew name of the pool where Jesus healed the crippled man?
6. With whom did the Pharisees take counsel to destroy Jesus?
7. What did Jesus say the Jews did not have in them? (2 answers)
8. Will there be a lapse of time (1000 years) between the resurrection of the righteous and the resurrection of the wicked? (Give reasons for your answer with proof from the fifth chapter of John.)
9. Whom did Jesus heal on the Sabbath day (2 answers)
10. What question did Jesus ask of the crippled man at Jerusalem?
11. What did David do when he was hungry?
12. What shall happen to the dead who hear the voice of the Son of God?
13. For what purpose were the Pharisees watching Jesus in the synagogue?
14. What attitude did the Pharisees have that caused Jesus to be grieved?
15. How many porches were at the pool in Jerusalem where Jesus performed a miracle?
16. What two things did Jesus say would bear witness of Him?
17. Who was the high priest when David ate the showbread?
18. "Therefore the _____ of _____ is Lord also of the _____."
19. What did the healed man do that the Jews said was unlawful?
20. Whom did Jesus say had borne witness to the truth?
21. Unto what shall those who have done evil come forth?
22. With whom did the Pharisees take counsel as to how to kill Jesus?
23. According to Jesus, who would accuse the Jews before God?
24. How many years had the man who Jesus healed been sick?
25. What statement did Jesus make which implied that He was equal with God?
26. To whom has all judgment been given?