

Treasure Hunt

- How is this chapter related to ch. 4-11?
- What was and was not unlawful about what the disciples did in v. 1?
- What two lines of argument does the Lord present to rebut the Pharisees?
- What are three examples of how the priests labor on the Sabbath?
- How is the action of the disciples like the labor of priests in the temple?
- With whom is the Lord comparing the Pharisees by quoting Hos 6:6?
- What is the Lord claiming when he says he is “Lord of the Sabbath”?
- How is v. 8 a central text for understanding the nature of our Lord?

Overview of Matthew

Gen 5:1 “This is the book of the generations of Adam”

- Genealogy

Matthew: The Gospel of the Kingdom

1:1-4:16 The Person of Jesus the King

1:1 “The book of the Generation of Jesus Christ”

- 1:1-17 Genealogy
- 1:18-25 Birth
- 2:1-23 Recognition & Preservation
- 3:1-17 Baptism
- 4:1-11 Temptation
- 4:12-16 Move to Capernaum (transition)

4:17-16:20 The Proclamation of Jesus the King

4:17 “From that time Jesus began to preach, ...”

- 4:18-11:30 Jesus calls Disciples
- 12:1-16:20 Growing Opposition

16:21-28:20 The Passion of Jesus the King

16:21 “From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, ...”

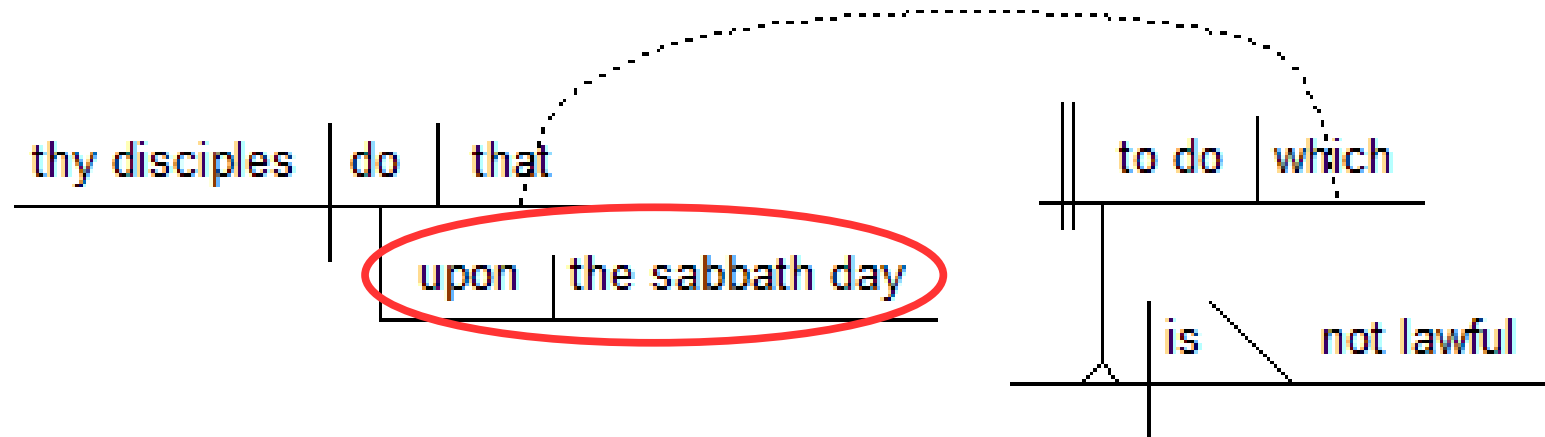
- 16:21-17:21 Principles of Discipleship
- 17:22-20:16 Life in the Kingdom
- 20:17-25:46 Controversy in Jerusalem
- 26:1-28:20 Death & Resurrection

4:18-11:30 Preparation of the Disciples

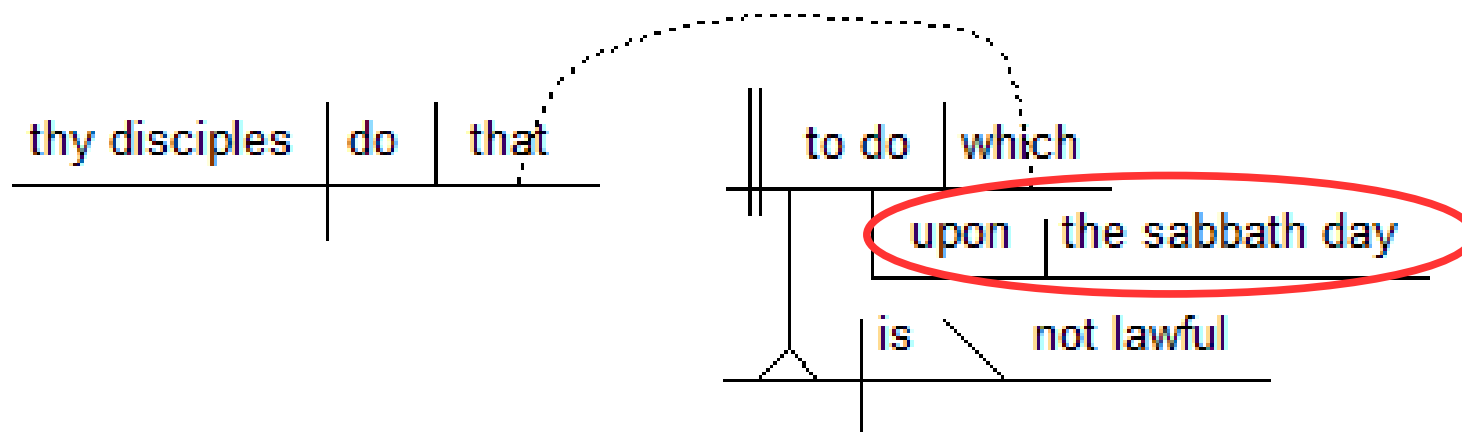
Calling Disciples	4:18-22 the Four		9:36-10:4 the Twelve		11:2-30 Broader Invitation (v. 28)
Summary	4:23 And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.		9:35 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.		Mat 11:1 And it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding his twelve disciples, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities.
Detail	ch. 5-7 Content for Teaching		ch. 8-9 Examples of Healing		10:5-42 Exhortations for Preaching

What was unlawful about plucking grain?

Matt 12:2 Thy disciples do that which is not lawful to do **upon the sabbath day.**



Deut. 23: 25 When thou comest into the standing corn of thy neighbour, then thou mayest pluck the ears with thine hand; but thou shalt not move a sickle unto thy neighbour's standing corn.



Answering the Pharisees: Reaping on the Sabbath

Justifying the Disciples

Condemning the
Pharisees

<p>OT Evidence</p>	<p>Have ye not read what David did, when he was an hungred, and they that were with him; 4 How he entered into the house of God, and did eat the shewbread [1 Sam 21], which was not lawful for him to eat, neither for them which were with him, but only for the priests? 5 Or have ye not read in the law, how that on the sabbath days the priests in the temple profane the sabbath, and are blameless?</p>	<p>7 But if ye had known what <i>this</i> meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice [Hos 6:6], ye would not have condemned the guiltless.</p>
<p>Personal Authority</p>	<p>6 But I say unto you, That in this place is <i>one</i> greater than the temple.</p>	<p>8 For the Son of man is Lord even of the sabbath day.</p>

The Showbread

Lev. 24:5 And thou shalt take fine flour, and bake twelve cakes thereof: two tenth deals shall be in one cake. 6 And thou shalt set them in two rows, six on a row, upon the pure table before the LORD. 7 And thou shalt put pure frankincense upon *each* row, that it may be on the bread for a memorial, *even* an offering made by fire unto the LORD. 8 **Every sabbath he shall set it in order** before the LORD continually, *being taken* from the children of Israel by an everlasting covenant. 9 **And it shall be Aaron's and his sons'**; and they shall eat it in the holy place: for it *is* most **holy** unto him of the offerings of the LORD made by fire by a perpetual statute.

1 Sam. 21:6 **So the priest gave him hallowed bread**: for there was no bread there but the **shewbread**, that was taken from before the LORD, **to put hot bread in the day when it was taken away.**

Labor on the Sabbath

Baking the showbread (previous slide)

Num. 28:9 And on the sabbath day two lambs of the first year without spot, and two tenth deals of flour *for* a meat offering, mingled with oil, and the drink offering thereof: 10 *This is* the burnt offering of every sabbath, beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.

Jn. 7:22 Moses therefore gave unto you circumcision; (not because it is of Moses, but of the fathers;) and ye on the sabbath day circumcise a man.

“I will have mercy and not sacrifice”

Hos. 6:4 O Ephraim, what shall I do unto thee? O Judah, what shall I do unto thee? for your goodness *is* as a morning cloud, and as the early dew it goeth away. 5 Therefore have I hewed *them* by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my mouth: and thy judgments *are as* the light *that* goeth forth. 6 **For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice;** and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings. 7 But they like men have transgressed the covenant: there have they dealt treacherously against me.

Who is “Lord of the Sabbath”?

Institution of the Seventh Day:

Gen. 2:2 And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. 3 And **God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it [made it holy]**: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

First mention of the word “Sabbath” in the OT:

Exod. 16:23-29 And he said unto them, This *is that* which the **LORD** hath said, To morrow *is* the rest of the **holy sabbath unto the LORD**: ... 25 And Moses said, Eat that to day; for to day *is* a **sabbath unto the LORD**: to day ye shall not find it in the field. ... 29 See, for that **the LORD hath given you the sabbath**, therefore he giveth you on the sixth day the bread of two days; abide ye every man in his place, let no man go out of his place on the seventh day.

8x (including Decalog): ליהוה... שבת “a sabbath to/for the **Lord**”

15x “**my sabbaths**” (spoken by the Lord)

Isa. 58:13 If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, *from* doing thy pleasure on **my holy day**; and call the sabbath a delight, **the holy of the LORD**,