

Takeaway:

A lot of people, even in the church, feel they have to hide parts of who they are. But today, you will discover that not only does God see all the things you're trying to hide, but He's ready and waiting to free you from the areas you need help in. Break free from the chains and stop living in the dark. Come into the light and experience God's grace, mercy, and love, today!

Scriptural References:

- Luke 6:1-10
 - Jesus obeyed the Mosaic law.
 - The conflict of healing on the Sabbath was not about disobedience but about the lesson Jesus was going to teach in this situation.
 - Fitting in just cost too much.
 - Jesus was born an original, and He refused to die a copy.
 - If Jesus was comfortable with people adding and taking away from God's laws, He would have probably fit in better.
 - Jesus' goal was to shed light on what is said, not add to it.
 - Jesus knew that if He obeyed their law to the letter, He would be obeying the laws of man above the laws of God.
 - God's law was given to Moses and written on stone.
 - The other laws were an addition of laws by man. Sometimes, those laws were not protective of the people.
 - Jesus knew that, which is why He picked the grain on the Sabbath and ate it.
 - His "disobedience" was actually a lesson to mankind that God's law is above all else.
- Revelations 22:18
 - Scriptures should not be added to by people.
 - God will add the plagues and an eternity of separation when people try to modify Scripture to suit their needs.
- Luke 6:3
 - Jesus answered the Pharisees accusations of disobeying the law by saying, "Have you even read this?"
 - He knew that the Pharisees had not only read the Scriptures but memorized it.
 - However, the Pharisees had memorized the book only to confirm their conclusions.
 - They're not reading it to find truth but to get support for their conclusions.
 - In an era of Pharisees, Jesus stood up for what God actually said and meant.
 - Jesus came to His opinions on the Sabbath, not based on the stretched text somewhere, but based on what God meant.
- Luke 6:4

- He who created the seventh day is greater than any earthly counsel.
- Jesus was shifting the paradigm.
 - He was proclaiming that His authority was from God, and was over the Pharisees.
- If Jesus submitted to them, they'd be His lord... and that's not true.
- Jesus was pushing the Pharisees out of their seats, however, that's the way it should have been because Jesus was God in flesh.
- The Pharisees didn't recognize Jesus for who He was.
- Jesus was telling the establishment that they'd gotten it wrong.
- Luke 6:6
 - Jesus went to a certain synagogue.
 - Some synagogues you had to be perfect to enter into, but Jesus went to this one for a reason.
 - They took anybody in and let them worship.
 - A man was there, on the Sabbath, whose right hand was withered.
 - Back then, it was an insult to touch others with your left hand, but all this man had was a left hand.
 - Left hand represented dishonor.
 - The man may have felt like only the unclean, dishonorable part of him had strength.
 - Jesus healing this man's hand would save his life and dignity and give him back his hope for a life in his culture.
 - Jesus was not ashamed of His amazing grace and did what He knew would save the man's life.

Key Points:

- You were born an original; don't die a copy.
- Don't mess with His book but rather, read and take from it what you are to do with your life!
- Ask the Lord, "What does the BOOK say?"
- Doing good in a life or death situation always supersedes the law.
 - For example: Jaywalking... it's illegal.
 - But if you saw a child in the middle of a busy street, any good person would break the law to save the child.
- In our lives, He's either Lord of all, or not Lord at all.
- Recognize who He is and that He stands in His authority.
- Don't fight against Him but seek Him in your life!
- Do not be ashamed of your past.
- God always stands with open arms, just waiting to free you and wipe away whatever shame you just experienced.
- When you go to God with a sin, with a mistake, He sees you as His daughter or His son. You're not disgusting; you are loved.

