

Series: Savoring the Savior  
**"New Wine In Old Bags"**  
(The Matchless Distinctiveness of the Gospel)  
Mark 2:18-22

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Introduction:

**1. Religion Defended** by MAN: WORKS/Faith. (Mark 2:18)

A. WORKS - What WE DO:

1.) Fasting = Formalism / Religion.

B. NOT Faith: (Titus 3:5,6)

2.) Works-righteousness.

3.) Self-righteousness.

4.) Legalism-License.

**2. Religion Defined** by GOD: WORKS. (Mark 2:19,20)

A. FAITH in the Bridegroom: What GOD has DONE: Through the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ. = REJOICING in the RELATIONSHIP!

B. NOT Works: (Ephesians 2:8,9; Colossians 2:4-23)

1.) NOT persuasive words. Col. 2:4-7

2.) NOT vain philosophies. Col. 2:8-10

3.) NOT the judgments of men. Col. 2:11-16

4.) NOT shadows when the substance is Christ. Col. 2:17

5.) NOT false humility and worship. Col. 2:18,19

6.) NOT the doctrines of demons and men. Col. 2:20-22; I Tim. 4:1-5; 2 Cor. 11:13-15; Gal. 1:6,7; Eph. 4:14; I John 4:1-6

7.) NOT self-imposed religion. Col. 2:23

**3. Religion Destroyed** by God and Redeemed Men: FAITH/WORKS. (Mark 2:21,22; Luke 5:39)

A. New and Old Cloth. Mark 2:21

B. New and Old Wineskins. Mark 2:22

C. New and Old Wine. Luke 5:39

Moment of Decision: