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SNACKS & SATURDAYS

Let My People Thrive — Luke 5:36-6:11

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Context: Conflict Escalation

- Basics: “Synoptic Gospel” books (Matthew, Mark, Luke):
 - emphasize different aspects of the same stories
 - each have **this escalation** of the **same conflict events**:

 **Paralytic (through the roof) forgiven & healed**

 **Tax Collector Matthew (Levi) called**

 **Fasting questions, cloth / wine answers**

 **Grain-plucking on the Sabbath**

 **Withered-hand healing on the Sabbath**

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Conflict Escalation Sequence *Parallel Cross-Reference*

Conflict Episode	Matthew	Mark	Luke
Paralytic healed / forgiveness (last week's sermon)	9:1–8 scribes charge blasphemy	2:1–12 crowd glorifies God	5:17–26 Pharisees etc. “from every village” “power of the Lord” present
Matthew called / meal with sinners (last week's sermon)	9:9–13 • autobiographical • “mercy, not sacrifice”	2:13–17 tax collectors recline with Jesus	5:27–32 Matthew/Levi gives a large banquet
Fasting: bridegroom; cloth and wineskins	9:14–17 10-11 Interlude: Mission Discourse	2:18–22	5:33–39 cloth: “tear the new” cloth: “not match the old” wine: “the old is good”
Sabbath: plucking grain	12:1–8 Jesus > temple; mercy > sacrifice	2:23–28 “Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath”	6:1–5 unusual Gk. word for Sabbath 🙌
Sabbath: healing a hand	12:9–14 Synagogue healing; Pharisees conspire	3:1–6 Leaders watch; Herodians join plot	6:6–11 Scribes and Pharisees watch closely; they are filled with rage

Bold text = details unique or especially distinctive in Luke's version.

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Why verses 33-35?

Verse 36 starts:

And He was also telling them

...

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Context: Fasting & the Bridegroom

RECAP: END OF LAST WEEK'S SERMON

Pharisees asked, (my paraphrase)

- **Luke 5:33 — Why don't Jesus' disciples fast like everyone else's?**
 - *Jewish religious leaders' disciples await ...the Messiah*
 - *John the Baptizer's disciples await ...the Messiah*

Jesus answered, calling himself "the bridegroom," (my paraphrase)

- **Luke 5:34 — Together, we feast**
- **Luke 5:35 — Apart, we fast**

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Feast of Fellowship!

- Gather Around the Table with Love & Laughter
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- Finding Joy in Community

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Context: Fasting & the Bridegroom

Freedom living: Fasting instituted after Exodus (post-slavery)

- **Atonement** — Yom Kippur — “kpr” (make up for, repent)
 - *first time: after Exodus (from slavery)*
 - *annually: start of harvest (mid Tishrei, autumn, food time)*
 - *The first and main fast commanded by God*
- **Food represents life, for the moment**
- **Hunger reminds us we aren't momentary beings**
 - *do fear: (disconnection from) the food source*
 - *don't fear: the hunger*

Clue? Origen says atonement illuminates Luke 5 fasting

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Context: Fasting & the **Bridegroom**

Freedom Living: Bridegroom — joy of liberation from slavery!

- *1 John 4:16b* “**God is love**, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.”
- **Loving** — *Jeremiah 2*: post-liberation from slavery is like a wilderness honeymoon, bride and groom, **beloved and love**
- **Sacrificial** — *Hosea 2*: atonement and restoration to relationship
 - **astray bride restored**
 - **taken into the wilderness and spoken to gently**
 - **she sings like Israel just after escaping slavery in Egypt**

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“Then I will give her her vineyards from there, And the valley of Achor as a door of hope. And she will sing there as in the days of her youth, As in the day when she came up from the land of Egypt.”

- Hosea 2:15

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Atonement asks for
restoration from
wrongdoing, from **being far
off our aim.**

Turning back, to reconcile a
relationship. **Yearning for,**
seeking Love's presence.

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When Love himself is **in your midst**, it not a time to yearn for His presence.

When **Love is here**, it is a time to **feast and enjoy!**

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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.”

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Old cloth: pre-shrunk, soft,
reliable, worn-in, flawed

New cloth:
not as pliable, will change,
will shrink, won't fix the flaw

Patching ruins old *and* new.

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“And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise the new wine will burst the skins and

[the new wine] will be spilled out,

and the [old] skins will be ruined.

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Old systems aren't built for new moments.

To brew something new, in that good old container, would ruin both.

That's not the goal.

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“But new wine must be put into
fresh wineskins.”

Fermentation: gassy, biological, mess

A new, flexible container does the
job the old wineskin once did when
its contents were new.

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“And no one, after drinking old wine
wishes for new;

for he says, **“The old is good”**”

Still-fermenting wine can taste
wrong.

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Scholars agree:

Jesus seems to care, not saying the old cloth or old wine is bad.

Something new was happening that required flexibility and patience.

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Context: the Weekend

Freedom living: Sabbath instituted after Exodus (post-slavery)

- Manna: high-nutrient pastries from the sky
 - *No extra. Enough for each day, that day **except***
 - *Enough on the sixth (6th) day for the weekend*
 - *No gathering on the weekly seventh (7th) day*
- Sabbath was then codified in Israel's national charter documents
- **Rest**; trust God to provide the result

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Weekends are a Hebrew (God)
contribution to history.

Weekly rest days have recently been
proven to improve **work and life**

Work and rest are not at odds.

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Work and life do not compete.

Work is a part of a healthy, full, life.

Rest is part of doing good work.

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“Come to Me, all who are weary and
burdened, and I will give you rest.”

- Jesus

Matthew 11:28

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“Now it happened that He was passing through some grainfields on a Sabbath; and His disciples were picking the heads of grain, rubbing them in their hands, and eating the grain.”

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DOES THIS SOUND LIKE:

- Saturday snacks?
- Work duties?

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Autumn in the Holy Land

- Simple Joys *o the* Harvest Season
- Walking the Ancient Paths *with* Friends
- Lessons from *the* Wheat Field

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“But some of the Pharisees said,
‘Why do you do what is not lawful on
the Sabbath?’”

These priests were using their
position to snipe Saturday snacks.

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“And Jesus answering them said,
‘Have you not even read what David
did **when he was hungry**, he and
those who were with him,’”

Hungry. Functional word here.

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“...how he entered the house of God, and took and ate the consecrated bread which is not lawful for any to eat except the priests alone, and gave it to his companions?”

The Pharisees knew this story. A priest, Ahimelech, gave **his own bread** to the hungry who needed it.

See 1 Samuel 21:1-6

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These guys were hiking, snacking

Priests used their office **to deny**
hungry people food on their day off.

Jesus cited a priest who used his
position **to feed hungry people.**

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He's not saying the law doesn't matter. He's not calling them hypocrites for liking David.

He's saying **the Sabbath isn't for denying people bread.**

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But Jesus didn't stop there: "And He was saying to them, 'The Son of Man is **Lord of the Sabbath.**'"

Paraphrased:

I invented Sabbath anyway. **Free bread from the sky.** You're welcome.

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“On another Sabbath He entered the synagogue and was teaching; and **there was a man there whose right hand was withered.**”

Probably? Hoping for relief. Hoping to finally be whole.

“The scribes and the Pharisees were watching Him closely to see if He healed **on the Sabbath**, so that they might find **reason to accuse Him.**”

Using their position to oppose this man’s healing.

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“But He knew what they were thinking,

and He said

to the man with the withered hand...”

Sometimes Jesus speaks the
thoughts of the religious oppressors.

Here, He validates their victim.

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“But He knew what they were thinking, and *He said to the man with the withered hand*, ‘Get up and come forward!’

And he got up and came forward.”

We’re definitely rooting for this man. Jesus was, too.

Jesus does not care that some people aren’t rooting for you.

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And Jesus said to them,

“I ask you, is it lawful to do good or
to do harm on the Sabbath, to save a
life or to destroy it?”

He was doing good, saving.

They were doing harm, destroying.

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“After looking around at them all,

**He said to him, ‘Stretch out your
hand!’**

And he did so;

and his hand was restored.



But they themselves were filled with rage, and discussed together what they might do to Jesus.

Luke 6:11

How is Jesus not the one filled with rage?

What did they want to do?

The Pharisees went out and immediately began conspiring with the Herodians against Him, as to how they might **destroy Him**.

Mark 3:6

But the Pharisees went out and conspired against Him, as to how they might **destroy Him**.

Matthew 12:14

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How is Jesus not the one filled with rage?

What did He come to do?

For whom did He come to do it?

How was His heart for the Pharisees different than their heart for Him?

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God out of Love, gave from a great abundance, and so we won't use it wrong, asked us to trust Him.

We don't trust Him easily. We're like his stray bride.

God's heart for fasting, and for Sabbath:
everything else taken away, to be alone with Love.

**“Therefore, behold, I will allure her,
Bring her into the wilderness
And speak kindly to her.”**

Hosea 2:14

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