The King's controversy









Integration



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'But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.'

Mark 2:6-7

Now some teachers of the law were sitting there, thinking to themselves, 'Why does this fellow talk like that? He's blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?'

Mark 2:10-12

So [Jesus] said to the man, 'I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home.' He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all.

Mark 3:6

Then the Pharisees went out and began to plot with the Herodians how they might kill Jesus.

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The King's disreputable company!

A large crowd came to him, and he began to teach them.

As he walked along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax collector's booth. 'Follow me,' Jesus told him, ...

While Jesus was having dinner at Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were eating with him and his disciples, ...

When the teachers of the law who were Pharisees saw him eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they asked his disciples: 'Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?'

'It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but those who are ill. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.'

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The King's liberated disciples!

'How is it that John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees are fasting, but yours are not?'

Hebrews 1:1-2

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son,

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Jesus answered, 'How can the guests of the bridegroom fast while he is with them? They cannot, so long as they have him with them.'

Mark 2:21-22

'No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment. ... And no one pours new wine into old wineskins.'

John 19:30

When he had received the drink, Jesus said, 'It is finished.'

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The King's outrageous claim!

One Sabbath Jesus was going through the cornfields, and as his disciples walked along, they began to pick some ears of corn.

The Pharisees said to him, 'Look, why are they doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath?'

'The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.'

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The King's deliberate provocation!

Mark 3:1-2

Another time Jesus went into the synagogue, and a man with a shrivelled hand was there. Some of them were looking for a reason to accuse Jesus, so they watched him closely to see if he would heal him on the Sabbath.



Wrong will be right
When Aslan comes in sight



Mark 3:3-4

Jesus said to the man with the shrivelled hand, 'Stand up in front of everyone.' Then Jesus asked them, 'Which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?'

Mark 3:4-5

But they remained silent. He looked around at them in anger and, deeply distressed at their stubborn hearts, ...

1 John 3:8

The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work.

John 10:10

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

Mark 3:6

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Luke 1:32-33

'He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over Jacob's descendants for ever; his kingdom will never end.'