Mark 2 • The Nature of Christ's Ministry

- (v.1-12) Someone who cannot accept Christ's <u>message</u> cannot accept His <u>works</u>, and therefore will not accept Him as <u>Messiah</u>.
 Where Christ is concerned it is always about the <u>message</u>.
- 2. (v.13-17) Christ took the <u>message</u> wherever there was an opportunity to restore a <u>sinner</u>.
- (v.18-22) Christ does not mix the message with the traditions of men whose wrong beliefs prevent them from distinguishing the true intent of God's Word.
- 4. (v.23-28) Christ's <u>message</u> is the greater application of <u>love</u> applied to the Law.
- 5. Every group in this chapter who opposed Christ:
 - a. All had a basic, personal problem with the <u>Truth</u>.
 - b. All <u>misinterpreted</u> God's Word, exchanging its original intent for something <u>man-made</u>.
 - c. None could accept His <u>signs</u> because they could not accept His <u>message</u>; therefore they <u>rejected</u> Him.
 - d. To those <u>listening</u> Christ taught and ministered by which they were <u>saved</u>; to those <u>resisting</u> Christ firmly established the truth by which they would be <u>judged</u>.