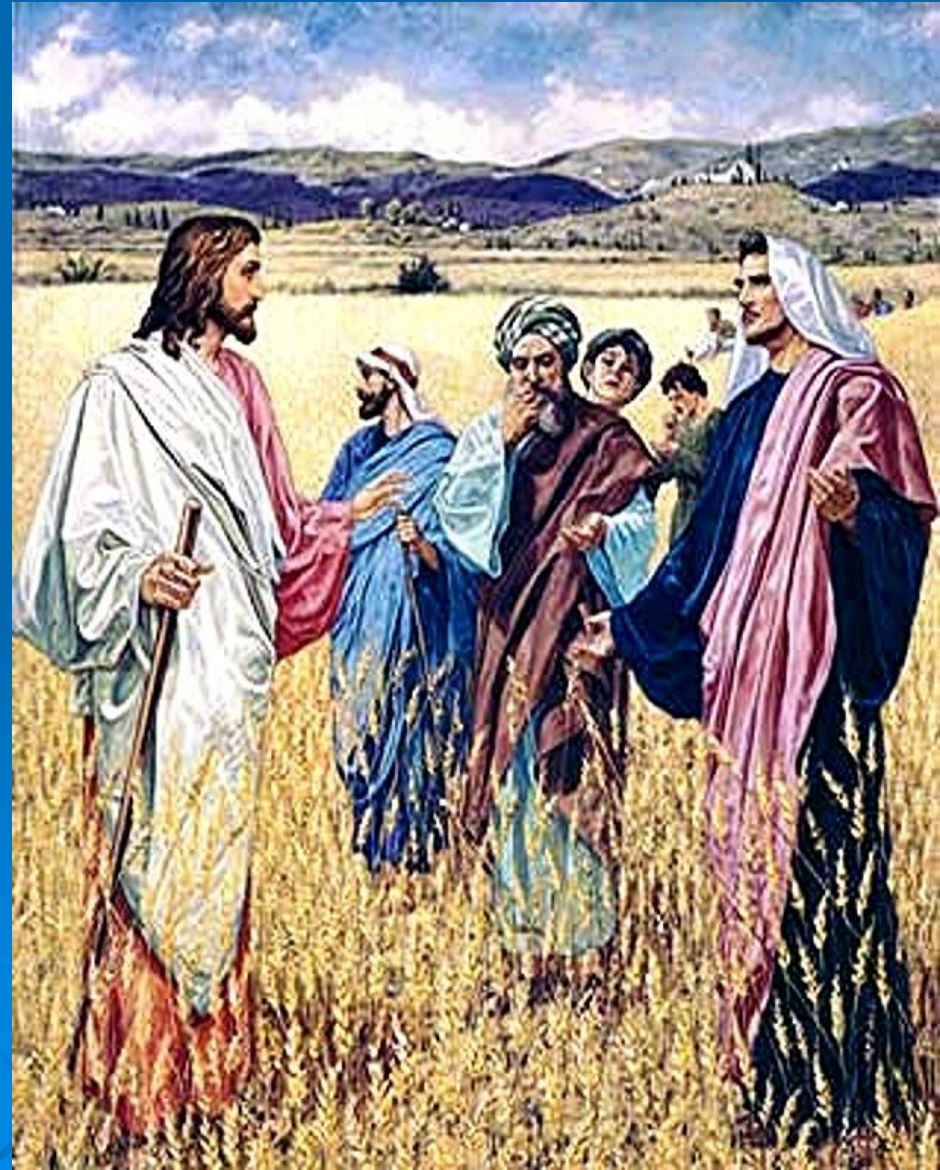
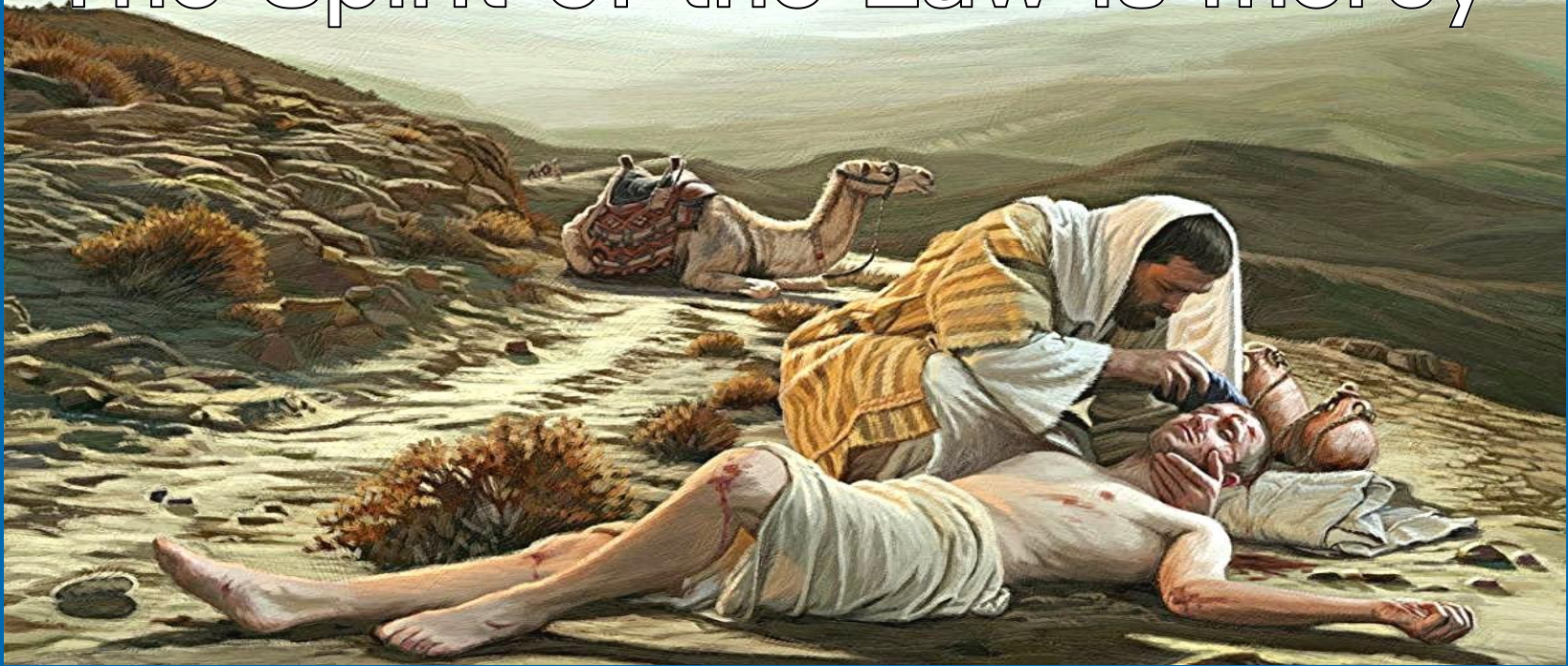


THE PHARISEES' COMPLAINT

- The backdrop: Yeshua is being confronted by Pharisees over the Sabbath laws
- **Melakah** = work
- What the disciples were doing wouldn't have been forbidden during the week
- Yeshua replied with "what David did" at Nob
- David and his men ate the Tabernacle shewbread, something restricted to the Priests by the Law of Moses



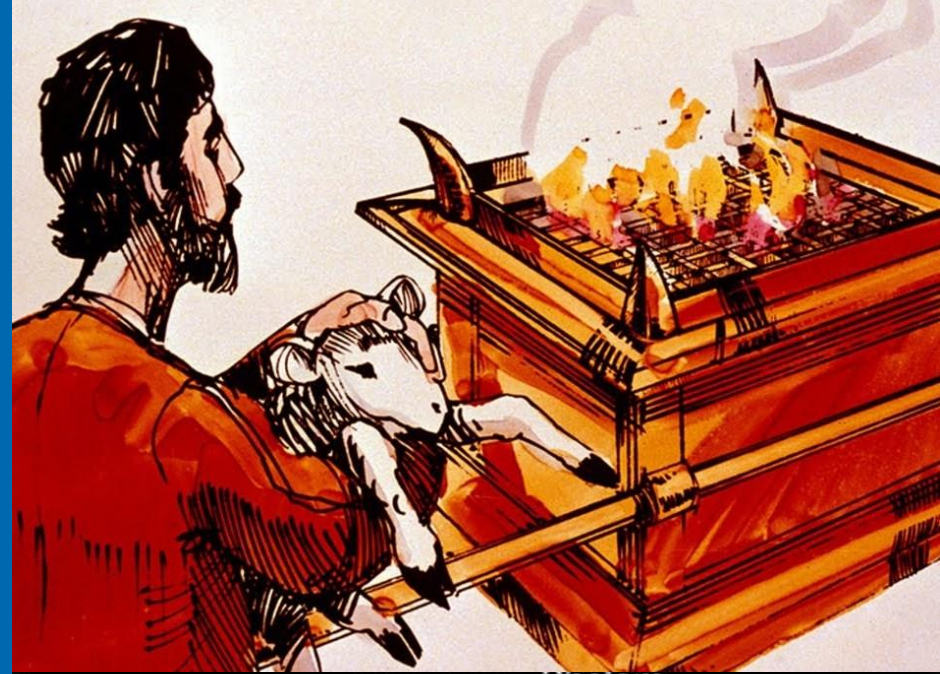
The Spirit of the Law is mercy



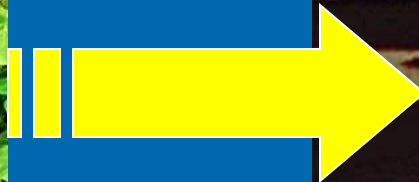
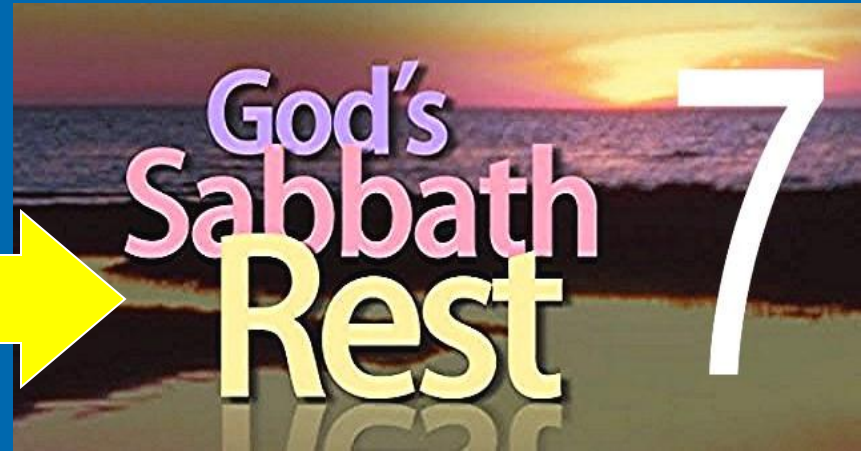
- The Priests at Nob showed mercy; the Pharisees in the grain field did not
- Hosea 6:6 *“If you knew what ‘I want compassion rather than animal sacrifice’ meant....”*
- You read.... You teach.... But you don't know
- **Chesed** = mercy, compassion

IF HUMANS ALWAYS DID RIGHT...

- Animal sacrifices would not be needed if humans didn't sin
- While the Pharisees judge the disciples guilty, God judges them innocent
- We need the Holy Spirit to guide us in obeying the Law from God's perspective



SABBATH IS MADE FOR MAN...



- Son of Man = Divine
- Mark 2:27 “***Sabbath is made for man, not man for the Sabbath***”
- Sabbath ONLY has meaning if there is mankind to observe it
- Even work animals are to rest, but that is because humans must work to direct them Deut. 5:12 – 14
- Why would God create a Universe if there was not intelligent beings to observe, wonder in awe, and glorify the Creator ?

IS IT LAWFUL TO HEAL ON THE SABBATH?



- The Pharisees have reversed the meaning and intent of Shabbat
- Mark 2:27 – 28
- Yeshua is the embodiment of Sabbath
- Man with a shriveled hand wanted to be healed on Sabbath
- This was not a life threatening situation
- Mishna Yoma 8:6 ***“A case of risk of loss of life supersedes the Sabbath Law”***



HUMAN LIFE GREATER THAN A FARM ANIMAL

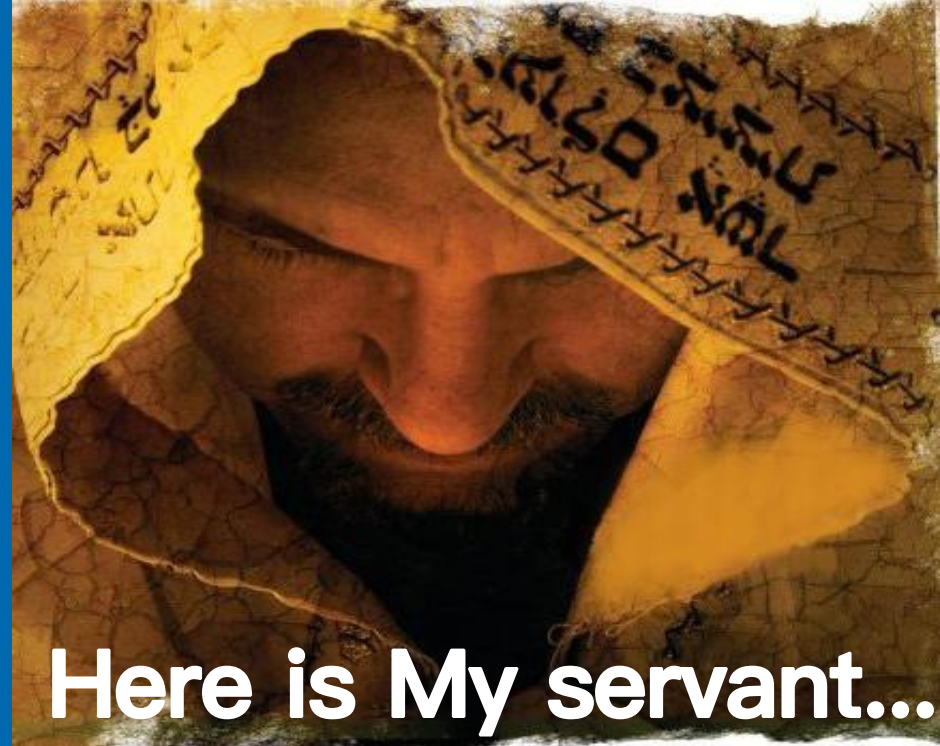
- The answer to “if a sheep fell in a pit, would you pull it out” seems obvious
- Essenes and other sects would have said “no” to helping the sheep or healing the man
- “To do good” means to act in a righteous way as defined by God (not by our own thoughts or emotions)


Isaiah

Servant Songs

- Matt.12: 17 – 21 a loose quote of Isaiah 42:1 – 4
- Isaiah's servant passages are sometimes about national Israel, other times about the people of Israel, and later an individual (Messiah)
- This reveals the close association between Messiah and His people; He is the ideal and perfect Israel

- ***Eved*** = slave, servant
- Not a negative term
- Christ carries the authority of the Father
- The Father's authority is inherent
- Isaiah 42:1 is fulfilled in Christ
- ***"I will put My Spirit on Him"***
- The Spirit in the form of a dove came down upon Yeshua Matt. 3:16





“...and He will
announce justice to
the nations...”

- **Goyim** = gentiles or nations; came to mean all gentile nations
- **Mishpat** = justice, or judicial ruling
- The verdict? All humanity is guilty and is given the death sentence!
- However, in God's justice He has provided redemption
- Suffering Servant = God's Son = Messiah Yeshua
- Yeshua is God the Father's agent for Redemption



- The Suffering Servant will not shout on street corners or raise an army to fight
- Only when He is confronted by the opposition leadership who leads people astray will He hold His ground
- The broken reed and smoldering wick are the broken people whose faith is nearly gone
- He is not coming to condemn, but to revitalize
- When He comes again, He will condemn