

The Surprising Offense of the Gospel

MK 2:1-3:6; ISA 8:14; MT 21:44; JN 9:39; 1COR 1:23-24; 2COR 2:16; 1PET 2:8-9; GAL 2:15-3:14

INTRODUCTION:

Missing the point



✪ Jesus _____ the core issues beneath our superficial arguments and self-justifications.

1. As Jesus was ministering in Galilee, he _____ controversy. (2:6, 16; 2:18; 2:24, 3:6)
2. People who encountered Jesus often had philosophical _____. (2:7, 16, 18, 24; 3:2)
 - a. **Why** does this man _____ like that? Who can _____ sins but God alone?
 - b. **Why** does he eat with tax collectors and _____?
 - c. **Why** do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees _____, but your disciples do not _____?
 - d. **Why** are they doing what is not _____ on the Sabbath?
3. The questions _____ their underlying, established worldview.
 - a. Religion is all about personal _____.
 - b. Man is basically _____.
 - c. I do not _____ to go to eternal judgment.
 - d. I do not need _____ or his _____.
4. Jesus understood what was _____ in their hearts.
5. Jesus exposed their superficial arguments and self-justifications with _____.
6. Jesus offered a _____ way to relationship with God.

CONCLUSION:

- Jesus, the Son of Man, is _____.
- The _____ challenges every established religious system. (GAL 2:16, 19-21)
- Only the _____ can affect genuine change of our hearts. (GAL 3:10-11, 13-14; 4:9)