

- 1) What kind of unnecessary "rules" do you create for yourself? And why?
- 2) There are 5 "opposition" episodes from Mark 2:1 to 3:6. How do you see the temperature gradually rising against Jesus?
- 3) Check out these "have you never read" passages. What is in common with all of them? Matthew 21:16; Matthew 21:46; Mark 12:10; Mark 12:24. What lesson do you take away from this?
- 4) How would you answer someone who says that...
 - 1) Christianity is all about the 10 commandments.
 - 2) Christianity sets us free from any moral code.
- 5) How has Mark 1-3 changed your view of Jesus for the better? How does that make you want to love, trust and worship him more?

NB There is some debate about why Jesus says Abiathar not Ahimelech in v26 (see 1 Sam 21). From David's point of view these were the days of his friend Abiathar (1 Sam 22:20). Read more at https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/blogs/justin-taylor/interview-with-craig-blomberg/