



Homework: Remember the Sabbath

Complete this sheet and bring it with you to class on October 17.

Read Matthew 12, then answer the following questions about verses 1-14.

What problem did the Pharisees have with Jesus' disciples?

The Pharisees considered picking food to be work, and thus sinful to do on the Sabbath. Do you agree that this should be considered "working" on the Sabbath? Why or why not?

Jesus points out instances in the past where people did this same thing, and yet were not found to be guilty of breaking the Sabbath. All of the stories involve the temple of God. Then Jesus says in verse 6, "I tell you, something greater than the temple is here." What do you think He means by this? What is He talking about?

The Pharisees ask Jesus another question in verse 10. What is it? What was their motivation for asking it?

Jesus turns their understanding of the Sabbath upside down in verses 11-13. What does Jesus say is permitted on the Sabbath? What does this mean for us today?

For in Scripture it says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame." (1 Peter 2:6)