



Doubtless Living!

THE GOSPEL OF

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That you may have certainty!





THE RISE OF OPPOSITION

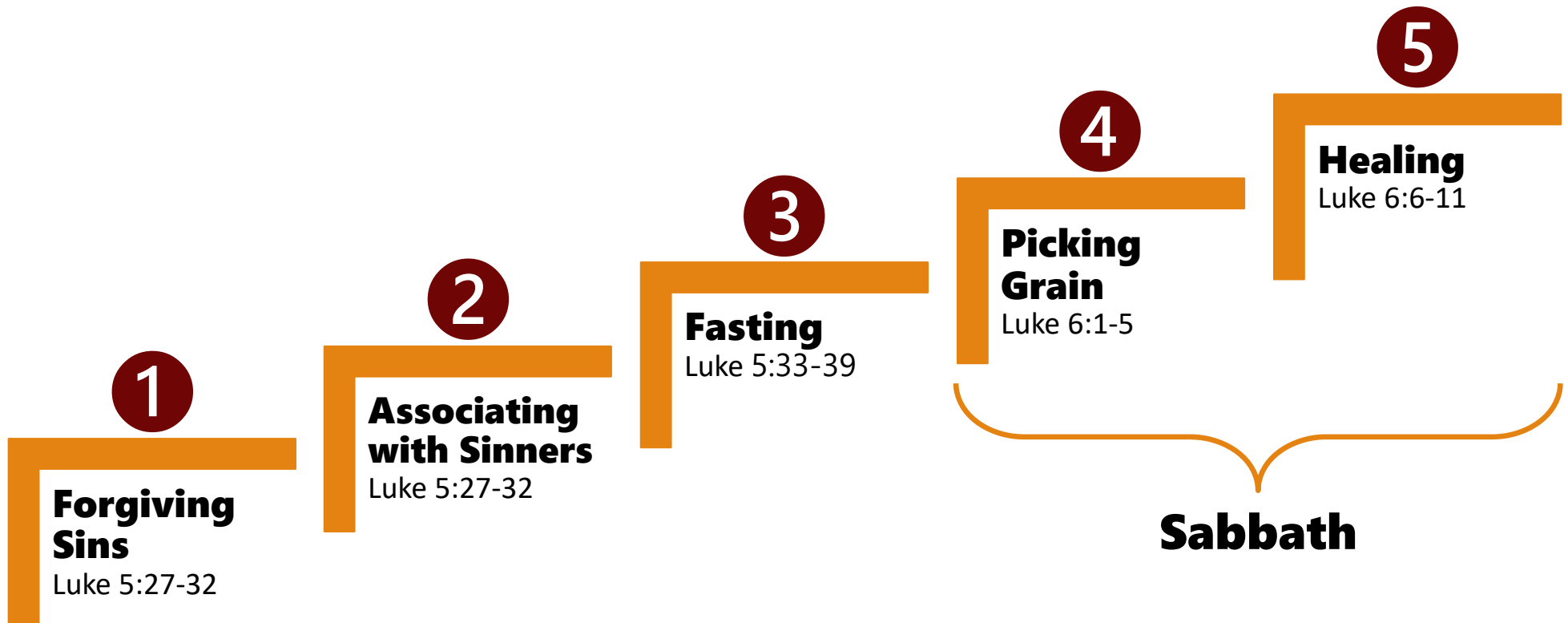
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Part Three

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The Rise of Opposition

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Were the disciples stealing from the landowners by plucking grain and eating it as they passed by the field?

✓ **Deuteronomy 23:25:** When you enter your neighbor's standing grain, you may pluck heads of grain with your hand, but do not put a sickle to your neighbor's grain.

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So, if they weren't stealing, then why are the Pharisees so upset with Jesus and His disciples?

✕ **Exodus 20:8-11:** ⁸Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy: ⁹You are to labor six days and do all your work, ¹⁰but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. You must not do any work... the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and declared it holy.

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The Pharisees believed that Jesus and His disciples were breaking the law by working on the Sabbath?



So, how did Jesus respond to their accusation?

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What does Jesus mean by this response; He admits David's actions were unlawful.



So, is Jesus saying the end justifies the means? Is he saying the Law is irrelevant?

OBSERVATION

David put human need above ritual law. He abided by the spirit of the Law, not the letter of the Law. And the Priests allowed it.

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By now the Pharisees heads were spinning and their anger raging. They had to be thinking; who is this man who compares himself to our king and claims to be above the Law?

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Jesus answers their unspoken question with two bold claims:

1. He is the Son of Man

2. He is Lord of the Sabbath

❖ **Mark 2:27:** "Then he told them, "The Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath."

PHARASAIC
MINDS BLOWN

Only God can make these claims.





DELIBERATE DISCIPLESHIP

- **Is the Son of Man Lord of your Sabbath; is He Lord of your life?**
- **How can you honor the Lord this Sabbath day and avoid treating it just like any other day?**
- **Whom among your closest friends and associates needs you to come along side them in their time of need like Jesus did for His disciples?**
- **Which of them is spiritually hungry and needs to know more about this Jesus who is Lord of your life?**



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