

The longest sermon introduction in the history of North Hills Church:

Introduction #1 - Jesus makes a gigantic claim that he can give _____.

How do we know Jesus can give soul rest?

Big Idea: Jesus, through _____, expresses _____ to the needy with humility.

Introduction #2 - the Sabbath, a picture of _____

- _____ - God's people rest because God provides.
- _____ - God's people rest because God commands it.
- _____ - God's people rest because God possesses all the power.
- _____ - God's people rest because God chooses Israel.
- _____ - God's people rest because God rescues slaves.

Introduction #3 - Who are the Pharisees and what do they know about Jesus?

Pharisees - influential Jewish religious leaders hyper-committed and self-appointed to guard their view of God's law and how to obey God's law

- Scripture's portrait of a Pharisee
 - Misplaced _____ (Matthew 3:7-9)
 - Misplaced _____ of money and status (Luke 16:14, 11:43)
 - Misplaced _____ (Matthew 23:23)
 - Misplaced _____ (Matthew 9:33-34)
- What do the Pharisees know about Jesus?
 - Jesus is the promised King and Messiah born of a virgin. (Matthew 1:1)
 - Jesus is _____. (Matthew 3:16-17)
 - Jesus teaches how to live in God's kingdom. (Matthew 5-7)
 - Jesus is _____. (Matthew 8-9)
 - Jesus hangs with sinners and teaches losers. (Matthew 9:9-13, 10:1-4)
 - Crowds _____. (Matthew 4:23-25, 8:1)

1. The Pharisees _____.

2. Jesus questions the Pharisees' understanding of _____.

"Have you not read"

- Scenario #1 - _____
- Scenario #2 - the _____

Two stories with one point: The Law is the authority pointing to _____.
 "If you had known..."

3. Jesus declares his _____.

"Something greater than the temple is here."

"For the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath."

* Jesus possesses divine authority; therefore, Jesus provides real soul rest.