Mark Lesson 7 (2022)

**NEW WINE INTO NEW WINESKINS**

(Gospel Vs. Legalism)

Mark 2:18-22

Key Verse: 2:22

**Open it:**

1. What difference is there between “the letter of the law” and “the spirit of the law”?

**Explore:**

1. Read verse 18. What did John’s disciples and the Pharisees have in common? (18) What dilemma puzzled the people who came to Jesus? How were Jesus’ and Pharisees’ views of piety different?
2. Read verses 19-20. How did Jesus respond to the question that was put to him? (19) To whom was Jesus referring when he spoke of the “guests” and the “bridegroom”?
3. Read verses 21-22. What do the old garment and the old wineskins stand for? What do the patch of the unshrunk cloth and the new wine stand for? What are “new wineskins,” and why are they needed? (22)
4. How do you need to change your attitudes or actions regarding the spiritual disciplines such as fasting and praying?

**Apply it:**

1. What steps can you take to practice a spiritual discipline (fasting, prayer, Bible study, meditation, solitude, simplicity, etc.)?