

DON'T BE INFLEXIBLE!

The Parable of the New Wine in Old Wineskins
Parables of Jesus Bible Study Series # 17

Text: Luke 5:36-39

Background to the Parable

The religious leaders were very upset with Jesus because:

1. Jesus pronounced a man's sins _____.
(Luke 5:17-26)
They rejected Jesus' _____.
2. Jesus ate and drank with tax collectors and _____.
(Luke 27-32)
They used their _____ to exclude and look down on others.
3. Jesus did not _____ regularly. (Luke 5:33)
Their religious _____ were more important to them than what God was currently doing.

Summary: Jesus wanted to see people _____, changed, delivered and healed. The religious leaders were more concerned about their _____ and rules.

Meaning of the Parable

New garment & new wine = God's provision of _____ through Jesus Christ

Old garment and old wineskin = old _____ of religion based on tradition

Application of the Parable in Jesus' Day

The new _____ and _____ that God provides through Jesus Christ will not fit into the rules, regulations, and traditions of the religious leaders.

Application of the Parable Today

We must be diligent that we don't let our spiritual pride, preferences, traditions, current knowledge, or past experiences keep us from whatever God wants to do _____ us, _____ us, or _____ us _____!

1. Treasure your _____, but be open to new ideas and methods.
2. Treasure your knowledge of _____, but be open to new understanding.
Don't stop _____!
3. Treasure your previous walk with God, but be open to new _____.
Lamentations 3:22-23
Yesterday's experience with God will not _____ us today!
4. When considering new ideas, methods, insights and experiences, always make sure they _____ with God's _____!
_____ may change, but the _____ never will!