

**Sunday, February 4, 2024**  
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## **“Stop in the Name of the Law”**

Matthew 12:1-14

### **Today's BIG IDEA:**

***Legalism hinders us from loving God and loving others.***

### **1. Two INTERPRETATIONS regarding the Sabbath**

A. God's \_\_\_\_\_ for the Sabbath  
(Exodus 20:8-11; 31:13b-14; Mark 2:27)

B. The Pharisees' \_\_\_\_\_ of the Sabbath

### **2. Two INCIDENTS regarding the Sabbath (v.1-2,9-10)**

A. The plucking of \_\_\_\_\_ heads (v.1-2)

B. The healing of a \_\_\_\_\_ hand (v.9-10)

### **3. Three ILLUSTRATIONS regarding the Sabbath**

(v.3-5,11-12a)

A. David and the bread of the Presence (v.3-4)

(1 Samuel 21:1-6; Leviticus 24:5-9)

B. The priests in the temple (v.5)

C. A sheep in a pit (v.11-12a)

### **4. Two INSIGHTS regarding the Sabbath (v.6-8,12b-14)**

A. Jesus has full \_\_\_\_\_ over the Sabbath (v.6,8)

B. Jesus desires godly \_\_\_\_\_ on the Sabbath  
(v.7,12b-13)

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## 5. Three IMPLICATIONS regarding the Sabbath

(v.6-8,12b-14)

A. \_\_\_\_\_ knowledge does not equal  
\_\_\_\_\_ behavior  
(James 1:22)

B. God wants to \_\_\_\_\_ burdens, not  
\_\_\_\_\_ to them  
(1 John 5:3)

C. \_\_\_\_\_ faith is more than a  
\_\_\_\_\_ faith

### APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

1. What's the difference between following God's Word and being legalistic? How can we walk in obedience without being legalistic?
2. In what areas of your life do you find yourself being legalistic? How does that hinder your walk with God? How does it hinder your ministry to others?
3. How can you do a better job of living out your faith outside of Sunday worship?