#### Announcing the

#### from Mark's Gospel

## **Christianity is Different**

Mark 2:18-22

#### What can we learn from Jesus' response about fasting?

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## Spiritual <u>tools</u> are not ritualistic <u>rules</u>.

"Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting. And people came and said to him, "Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?"

#### **Mark 2:18**

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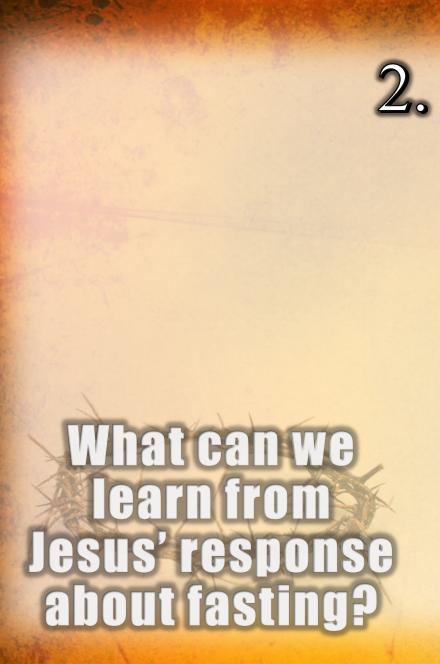
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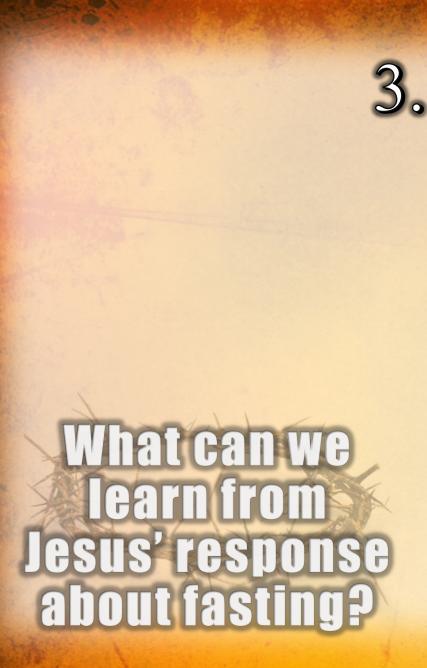
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<u>Relationships</u> over rituals is the focus.

"And Jesus said to them, 'Can the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them? As long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast.""

**Mark 2:19** 



# The old and the new do not míx.

"<sup>21</sup>No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment....

<sup>22</sup>And no one puts new wine into old wineskins...."

Mark 2:21-22



### "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"





# Challenge

# Am I ready for something new?