

Study QUESTIONS

Ep. 1243: Am I Putting New Wine in an Old Wineskin?

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See:  CQ Rewind
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1. What was the question asked of Jesus by the disciples of John? What might have prompted this question? What was Jesus' answer? (See Luke 5:33, Matthew 9:14, Mark 2:19)
2. How many parables did Jesus speak to John the Baptist's disciples? What were the three points of context behind these parables? (See Luke 3:15-16, John 1:29-30, 35-37, 40-42)
3. Describe the key parable factors and what they represent in the Parable of the Garment and the Patch? What is the difference between *repentance* and *redemption*? Explain the meaning of the parable for John's disciples, and then its application to us. (See Luke 5:36, Mark 2:21, Matthew 9:16)
4. Why did both John and Jesus use the illustration of a bridegroom? What was the difference between John's message and baptism and Jesus' message and baptism? (See John 3:28-30, Mark 2:19, Luke 5:35)
5. Describe the key parable factors and what they represent in the Parable of the Wineskins. Explain the meaning of the parable for John's disciples, and then its application for us. What is required to "have the mind of Christ"? (See Matthew 9:17, 1 Corinthians 2:14-16)
6. Describe the key parable factors and what they represent in the Parable of the Old Wine. Explain the meaning of the parable for John's disciples, and then its application for us. What might be "old wine" for us? For what reasons might it be hard to give up the "old wine" in our lives? (See Luke 5:39, 18:22, Hebrews 10:20)
7. How can we be "living stones"? Who is the cornerstone? How could he become a "stone of stumbling and a rock of offense"? Why is it necessary to become a new wineskin? What protects us when we stumble over this new wine? What is the "one thing" Paul says he does? (See 1 Peter 2:5-10, Philippians 3:12-14)
8. What are the three objectives of these three parables as they apply to us?
9. Answer the light blue questions in the Rewind honestly to yourself. (2 Timothy 2:20-21, Galatians 3:24-28, Romans 13:14, 1 Corinthians 2:14-16, 5:16-18, Romans 12:2, 1 Peter 2:5-10, Philippians 3:12-14)
 - Am I patching my comfortable garment with an "I love Jesus" button?
 - Do I look like a vessel of honor or dishonor to God and others?
 - How do I look at the gospel message? Have I been transformed into a true disciple of Christ?
 - Have I renewed my life or just recycled my old one to try to fit into the gospel message?
 - How do I walk in Jesus' sacrificial footsteps? How do I seek holiness? Am I truly transformed? Do I have the stretch within me to expand with what the gospel message requires of me?
 - Do I cling to the things that bring me comfort? Am I attached to my habits or am I willing to fully embrace that which is new and holy in my life?
 - What changes do I need to make in my life?