Mark 2:23-3:6 Authority over the Sabbath

1. David broke the law by eating and sharing the consecrated bread. Jesus broke the Pharisees' interpretation of the law. Were either or both of them justified in breaking the law?

2. Is it possible to break God's laws today and be justified?

3. Does God now have any laws that he requires us to keep?

4. Has there been a time when the needs of your Christian faith appeared to be in conflict with a human need?

5. The Pharisees and the Herodians were on opposite sides of the fence, as it were. What is your take on them, being hostile toward each other, joining forces to do away with Jesus?

6. The Pharisees were trying to keep the people in line so as not to anger God. It appears that Jesus' anger toward them was intense. What was it about them that brought such a reaction by Jesus?

7. Jesus was going about doing good. He healed people, fed crowds, and a lot of other good stuff. Why did the religious leaders oppose him so vehemently?