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the Sabbath,  
Mt. 12:1-14

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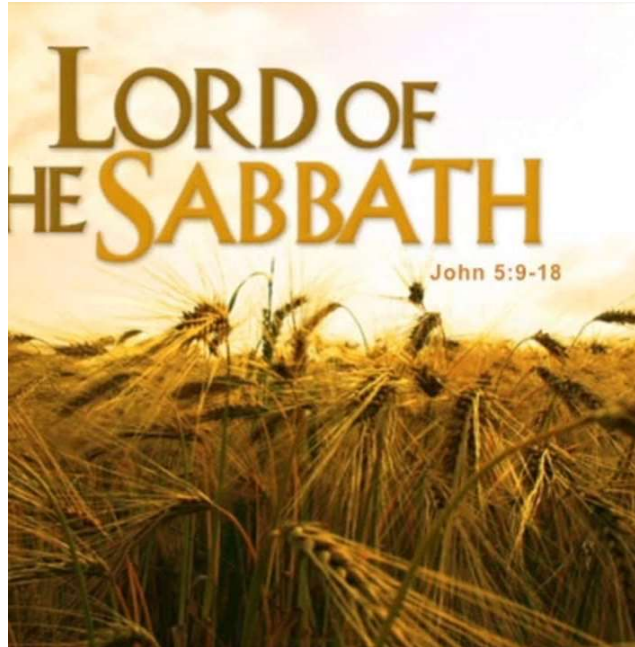
Grain fields, they were  
hungry

Pharisees saw  
this...unlawful

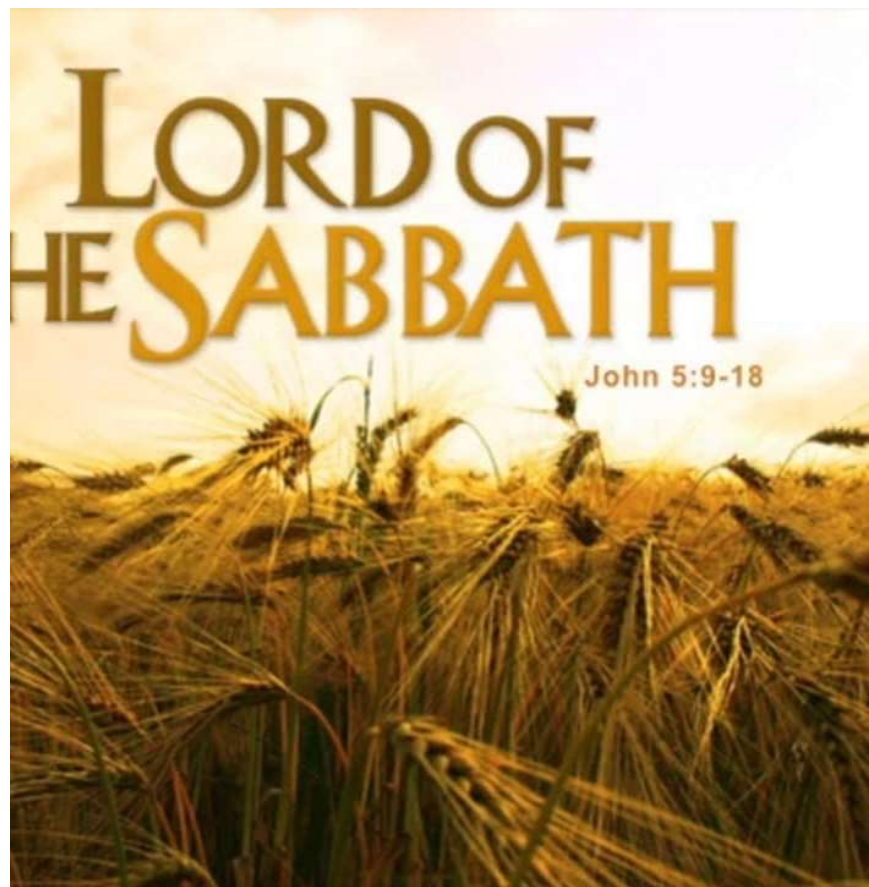
Ex. 25:30; 40:23; Lev.  
24:5-9

# Quote

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**The necessity of the case, however, was in this instance allowed to override the ceremonial ordinance, and our Lord teaches men through that single instance to see the general principle that when positive commands and necessities involving the good of man come into collision, the latter, not the former, must prevail.**



# Circumstances

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**Priests in the temple profane it!**

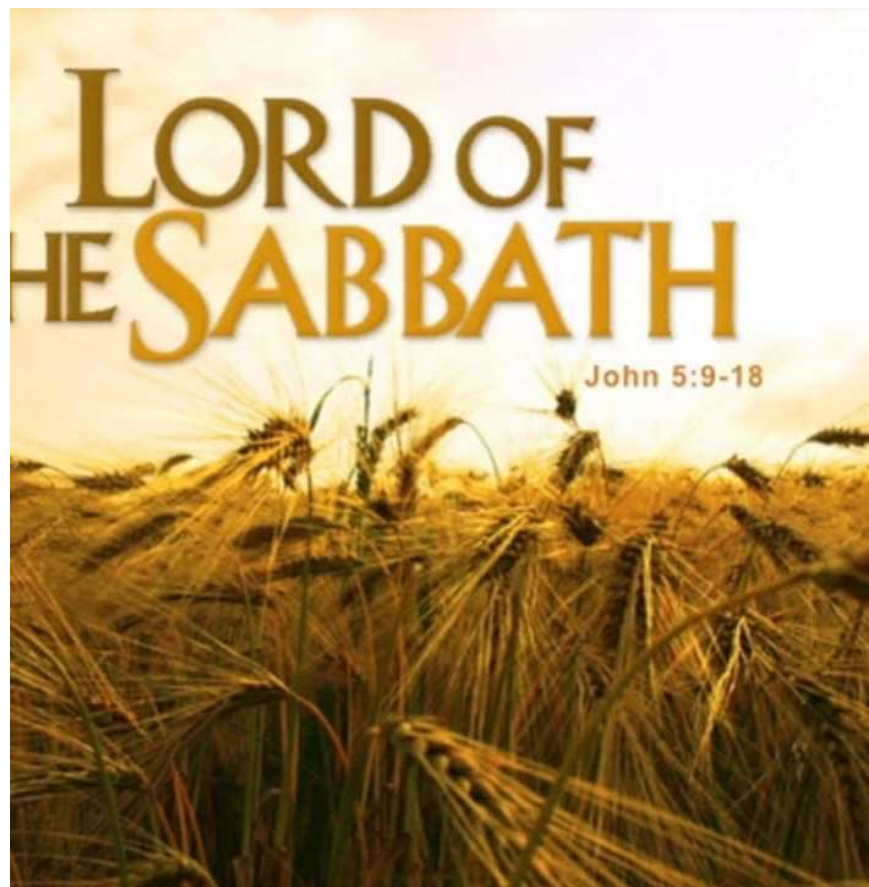
**Something greater than the temple is here.**

**What is the “something?” Jesus!**

**Quotation of Hosea 6:6**

**Used earlier in 9:13**

**The gospel of mercy! (10 times)**



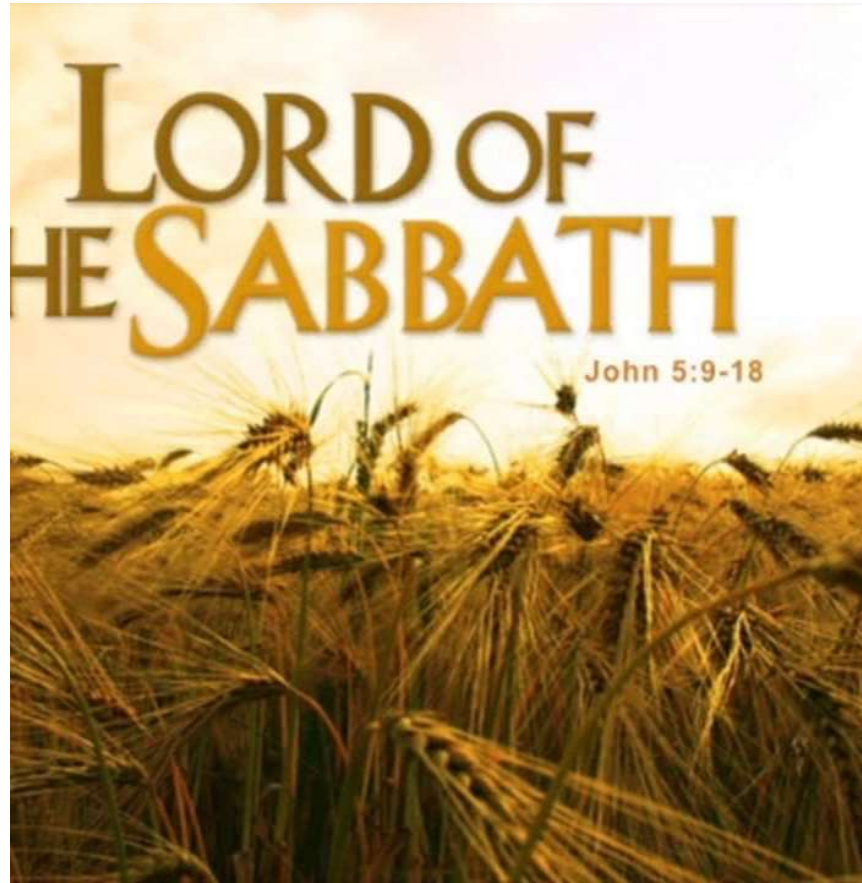
# Jesus' Identity

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**Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath**

**“Son of Man” tradition in Jewish thought—he is the only that calls himself this!**

**Messiah, concealed, Destiny**



# His Teaching Put to the Test

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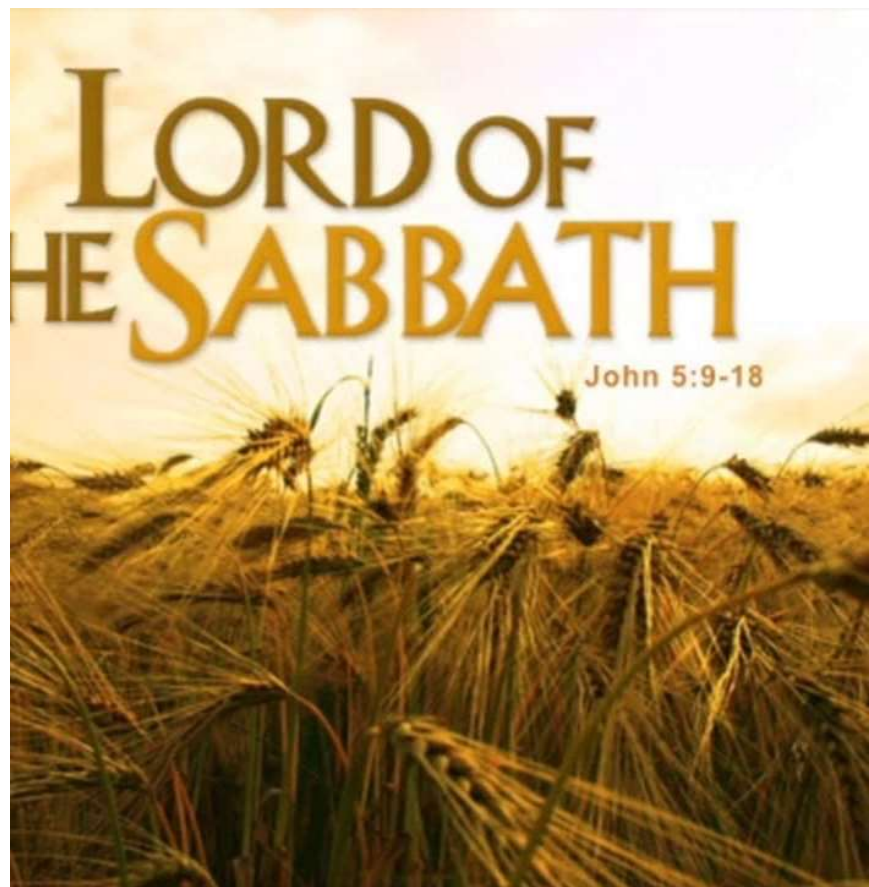
**His teaching on the Sabbath is immediately put to the test**

**Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?**

**Sheep falls into a pit**

**How much more valuable...?**

**Priorities and values help solve dilemmas**



# Therefore . .

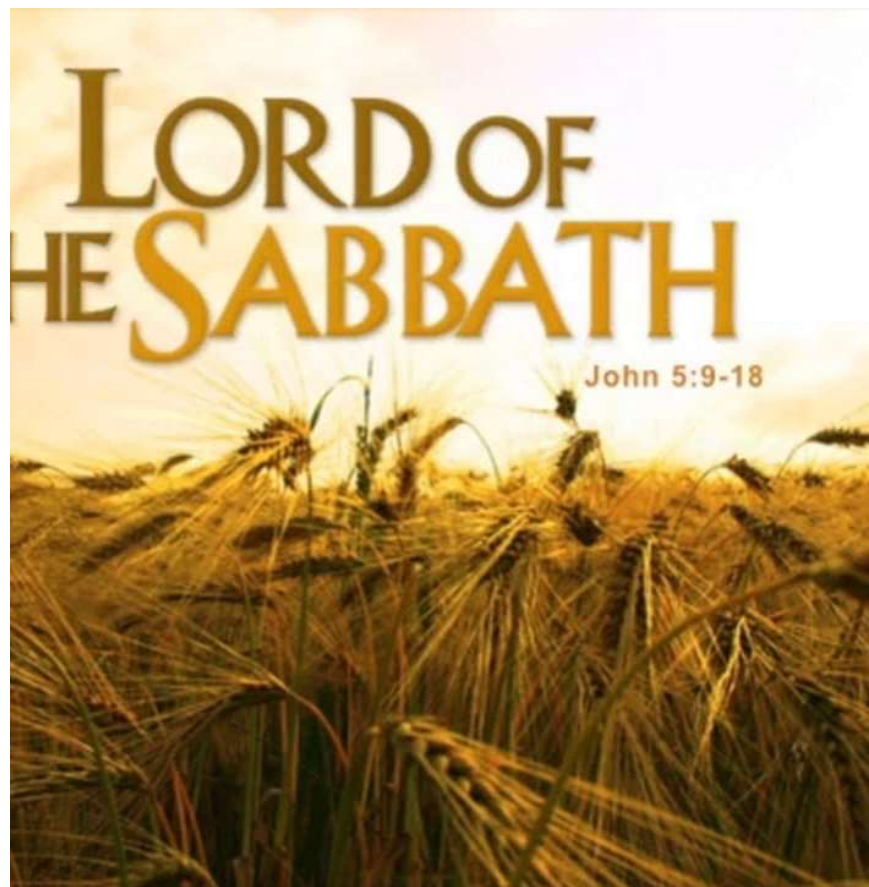
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**Therefore, it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath**

**Jesus' ministry—doing good**

**Stretch out your hand!**

**Pharisees plotted to kill!**

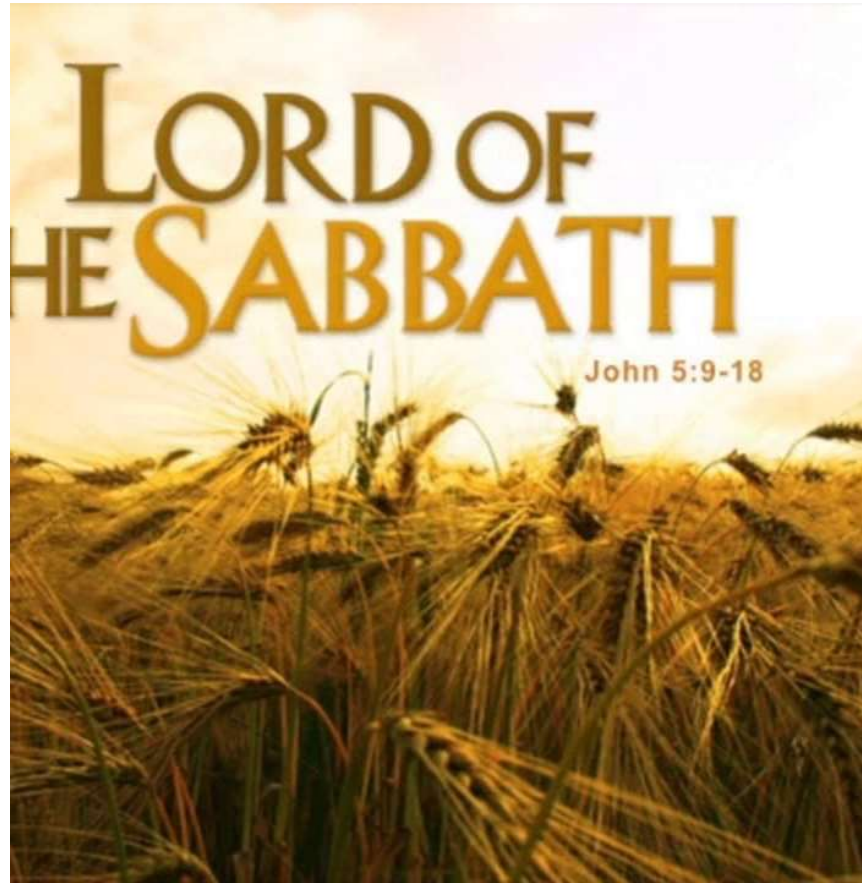


# Questions this lesson raises

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1. Is “Pharisee-ism” characterized by pointing out where others are wrong?
2. Are “lawful”/”unlawful” the only categories available to us when confronted by a moral dilemma?
3. Jesus’ expression, “Haven’t you read...” is an invitation to reexamine a text. Is this approach inherent in following Jesus?





# Questions (continued)

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4. How does the quote from Hosea 6:6 guide us today?

5. How much more valuable?—do we know the true value of things and people and traditions?

6. What is there about religion that causes people to want to kill those who do not agree with them?