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LOOK AT THE DISCUSSION
QUESTIONS FOR
APPLICATION AT YOUR HOME
FELLOWSHIP GROUP
MEETING THIS WEEK

o **March 13th, 2011**

Sermon notes

**A WEEKLY RESOURCE FOR AIDING THE APPLICATION OF THIS
SUNDAY'S SERMON AT REDEEMER TO YOUR LIFE.**

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Name some common or unique traditions in your family. Share how they have played a role, if any, in your spiritual life.
2. Have you found traditions in your life that blind you to seeing who Christ is, similar to how the Pharisees and religious leaders of their day couldn't see Christ, who was right in front of them? If so, how to you shed yourself of such traditions?
3. Why is it necessary for every generation to undertake the job of always reforming their lives according to Scripture?
4. Consider the following quote and discuss the lens traditions should be seen through.

"Tradition is the living faith of dead people to which we must add our chapter while we have the gift of life. Traditionalism is the dead faith of living people who fear that if anything changes, the whole enterprise will crumble." – Jaroslav Pelikan

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Mark 2: 18-22
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Mark 2:18 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?" [19] 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. [20] The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast in that day. [21] No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment. If he does, the patch tears away from it, the new from the old, and a worse tear is made. [22] And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. If he does, the wine will burst the skins--and the wine is destroyed, and so are the skins. But new wine is for fresh wineskins."

Christ, by His Presence and teaching, shed the light of truth on old ways (traditions) for the purpose of calling people to Himself.

- I. **Why were John's disciples and the Pharisees fasting?**
- II. **Why didn't Jesus fast in this instance?**
- III. **How should the light of Christ be shined on tradition?**

Redeemer Happenings

Sunday Evening Gathering: We will have a special guest, this Sunday, at the Evening Gathering. Ruth Tisdale, Director of Client Care, Advice & Aid Pregnancy Centers will share the story of their wonderful ministry and how we can support them.

Prayer Requests: As announced in the monthly Redeemer Report, we will be printing some prayer requests in the bulletin. You can submit a request either by going to redeemer-pca.org/prayer or contacting the church office.

