

The Pharisee and the Tax Collector

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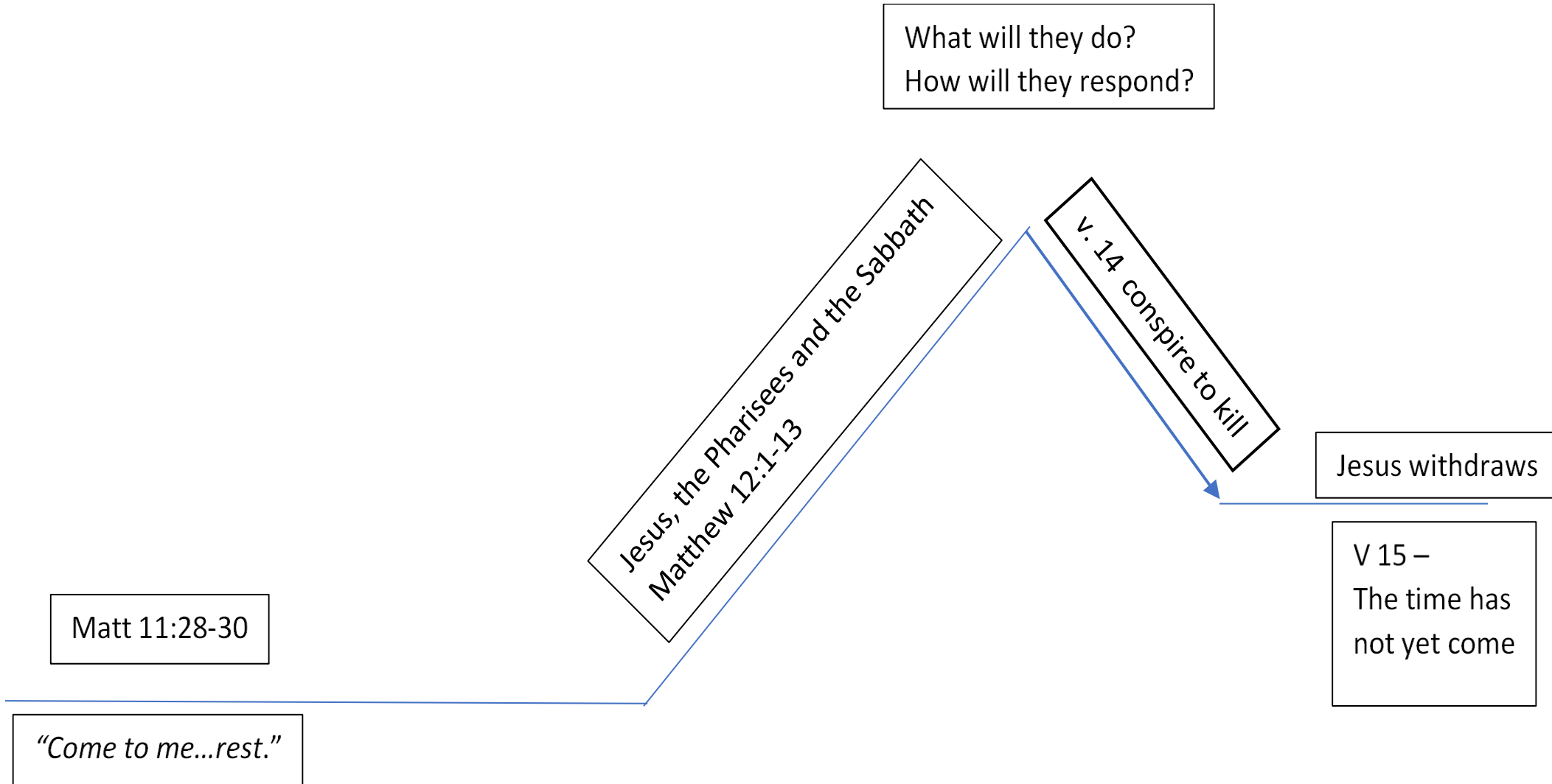
“Fencing the Law”



The 39 Categories of Sabbath Work Prohibited By Law

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| 1. Carrying | 15. Planting | 29. Weaving |
| 2. Burning | 16. Reaping | 30. Unraveling |
| 3. Extinguishing | 17. Harvesting | 31. Building |
| 4. Finishing | 18. Threshing | 32. Demolishing |
| 5. Writing | 19. Winnowing | 33. Trapping |
| 6. Erasing | 20. Selecting | 34. Shearing |
| 7. Cooking | 21. Sifting | 35. Slaughtering |
| 8. Washing | 22. Grinding | 36. Skinning |
| 9. Sewing | 23. Kneading | 37. Tanning |
| 10. Tearing | 24. Combing | 38. Smoothing |
| 11. Knotting | 25. Spinning | 39. Marking |
| 12. Untying | 26. Dyeing | |
| 13. Shaping | 27. Chain-stitching | |
| 14. Plowing | 28. Warping | |

Structure



Tips for structure

Ask yourself: Is it narrative or discourse?

If narrative,

- think beginning middle, end
- think plot and climax
- use visual

If discourse, think lecture, sermon

At minimum, note section headings and verses



Pharisees, Karl Schmidt-Rottluff

Tips for context

Immediate – Ask what happens immediately before and after the passage. Are there overlapping ideas, words, themes, people?

Whole book – if it is a narrative, where is passage in plot? Is there any foreshadowing? Does this section remind you in any way of other parts in this book of the Bible?

Whole Bible – Where does this passage fit in the timeline of redemptive history? Does the content remind you of other passages in the Bible. Maybe use cross references.

So what? How does the context give you clues about the main point of the passage?

Attributes of God

- Attentive: God hears and responds to the needs of His children.
- Compassionate: God cares for His children and acts on their behalf.
- Creator: God made everything. He is uncreated.*
- Deliverer: God rescues and saves His children.
- Eternal: God is not limited by and exists outside of time.
- Faithful: God always keeps His promises.
- Generous: God gives what is best and beyond what is deserved.
- Glorious: God displays His greatness and worth.*
- Good: God is what is best and gives what is best. He is incapable of doing harm.
- Holy: God is perfect, pure and without sin.*
- Incomprehensible: God is beyond our understanding. We can comprehend Him in part but not in whole.
- Infinite: God has no limits in His person or on His power.
- Immutable/Unchanging: God never changes. He is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow.
- Jealous: God will not share His glory with another. All glory rightfully belongs to Him.
- Just: God is fair in all His actions and judgments. He cannot over-punish or underpunish.
- Loving: God feels and displays infinite unconditional affection toward His children. His love for them does not depend on their worth, response or merit.

Attributes of God

- Merciful: God does not give His children the punishment they deserve
- Omnipotent/Almighty: God holds all power. Nothing is too hard for God. What He wills He can accomplish.
- Omnipresent: God is fully present everywhere.
- Omniscient: God knows everything, past, present and future, all potential and real outcomes, all things micro and macro.
- Patient/Long-suffering: God is untiring and bears with His children.
- Provider: God meets the needs of His children.
- Refuge: God is a place of safety and protection for His children.*
- Righteous: God is always good and right.
- Self-existent: God depends on nothing and no one to give Him life or existence.
- Self-sufficient: God is not vulnerable. He has no needs.
- Sovereign: God does everything according to His plan and pleasure. He controls all things.
- Transcendent: God is not like humans. He is infinitely higher in being and action.
- Truthful: Whatever God speaks or does is truth and reality.
- Wrathful: God hates all unrighteousness.
- Wise: God knows what is best and acts accordingly. He cannot choose wrongly.
- Worthy: God deserves all glory and honor and praise.