



# PHARISEE UNIVERSITY

LEGALISM  
ABOVE MERCY

## VERSES:

Matthew 23:2-3  
Colossians 2:20-23  
1 Thessalonians 4:10-12  
1 Corinthians 6:18-20  
1 Corinthians 8  
Romans 14:1-8  
Matthew 22:37-40

## FUTURE EVENTS:

### YOUTH CAMPS

July 13-17 Cost: \$340,  
Deposit \$50 due  
Pondo.org  
james@ourelement.org  
Krispy Kreme  
Fundraiser, \$10/Dozen  
Tickets Available

### MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, June 6th  
8:15am  
Here at Element.  
moe@ourelement.org

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## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

**Matthew 23:2-3** “The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses’ seat, so do and observe whatever they tell you, but not the works they do. For they preach, but do not practice.”

## INTRODUCTION

The idea of a pure church only finds its purity in Christ...not ourselves. Thankfully Jesus is the one who taught that first.

## DISCUSSION

We talked briefly about different tribes (missional, gospel, organic, social justice), if you had to label and describe a tribe that you would connect with, what would it be?

Why?

## EXPLANATION - Read Colossians 2:20-23

What laws have you placed in your own life?

What laws, that are not in Scripture, do you expect other people to follow?

How does your judgment of others manifest itself?

## APPLICATION - Read 1 Thessalonians 4:10-12

What does it mean (and not mean) to lead a quiet life?

How has a “quiet life” become the idol of a “comfortable life” for most Christians today?

## MISSION

How can you learn to recognize legalism in your life?  
What help do you need?

How can you help others to see the legalism in their own life?

Define the Gospel...

How can our world benefit from the simple truth of the Gospel instead of all of our manmade laws?

