



Our Lenten Journey:

Response To
God's Preferential Option for the Sinners

Preferential Option For the Sinners

Ash Wednesday, For the Mortals

Feb. 14, For the Wild

Feb. 21, For the Sinful

Feb. 28, For the Wondering

Mar. 6, For the Powerless

Mar. 13, For the Poor

Mar. 20, For "He Who Comes"

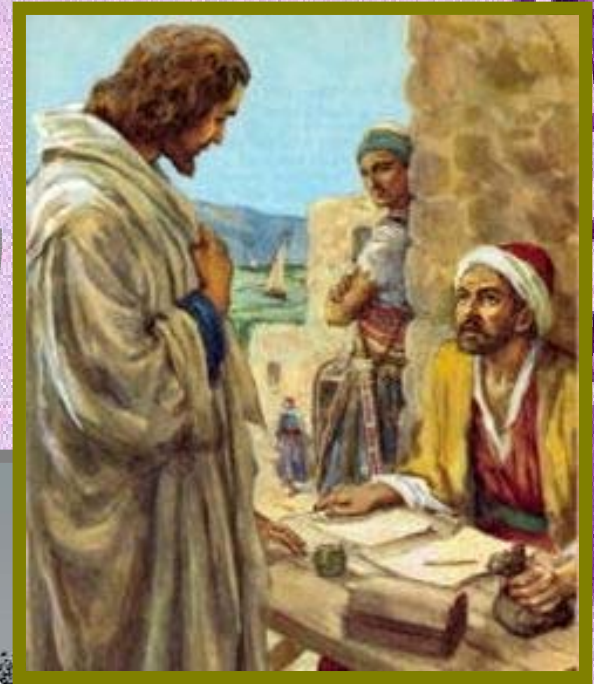
Maundy Thursday, For the Dying [at Savage]

Good Friday, For the Forsaken [at Lanham]

Easter Sunday, For the Living among the Dead

Matthew's Radical Discipleship

"Jesus ate with sinners!"



LUKE 19:1-10
JESUS AND ZACCHAEUS

Matthew's Radical Discipleship **Repentant Pharisees**

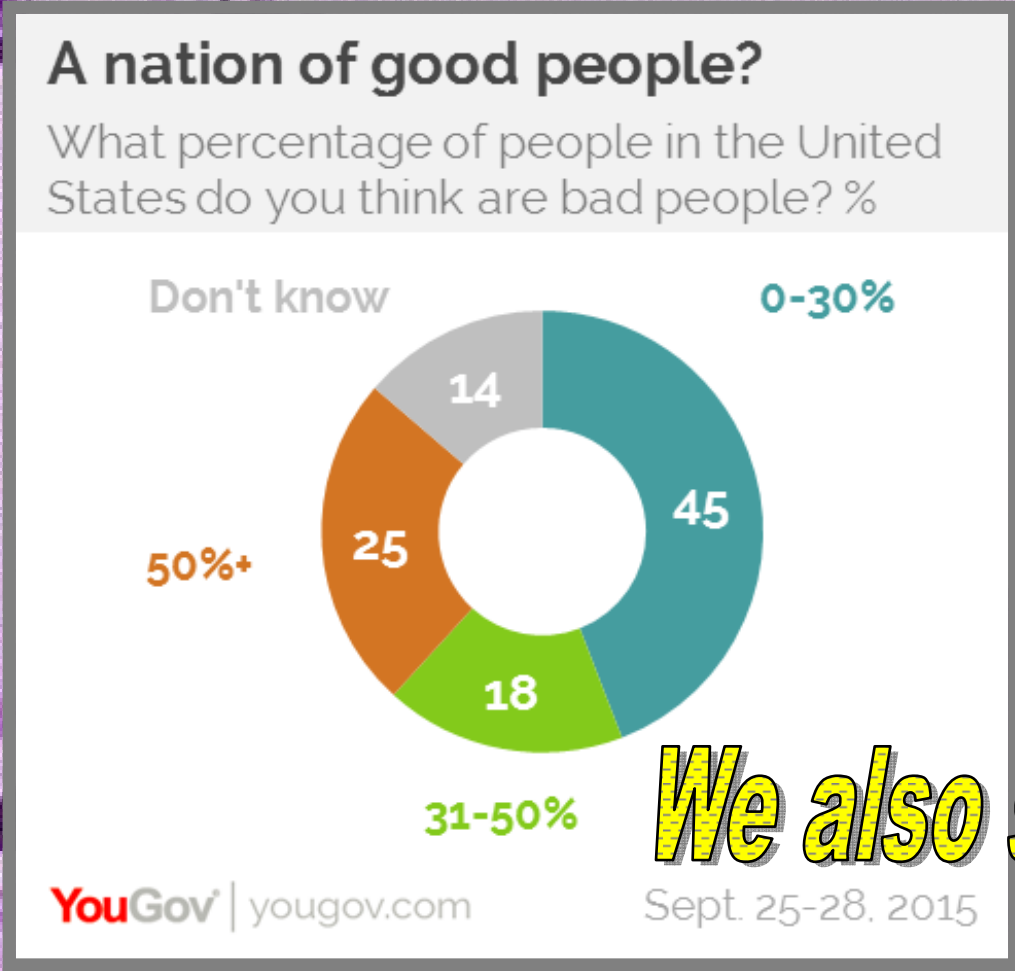


Overcoming
"Separated" or "Separatists"

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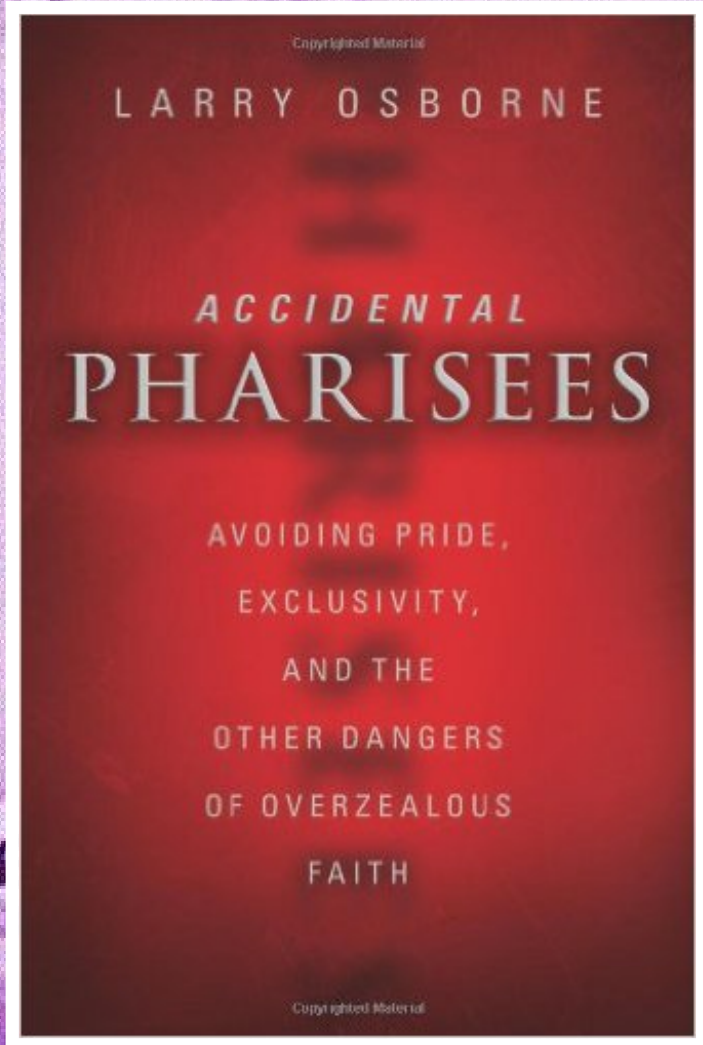
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We also see "sinners."

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- *The Dark and Dangerous Side of Overzealous Faith*

- *The Death of Mercy the Darkest and Most Dangerous Side of Legalism*

- *Learning from the Past without Idolizing the Past*



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The Rev. Fr Paul Scalia, son of the late Supreme Court Associate Justice Antonin Scalia, center, leads the funeral mass for Justice Scalia, at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington on Saturday.

What sort of a person you want to be?



...A father accidentally standing in a confession line that his son is officiating!

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The other drives out.

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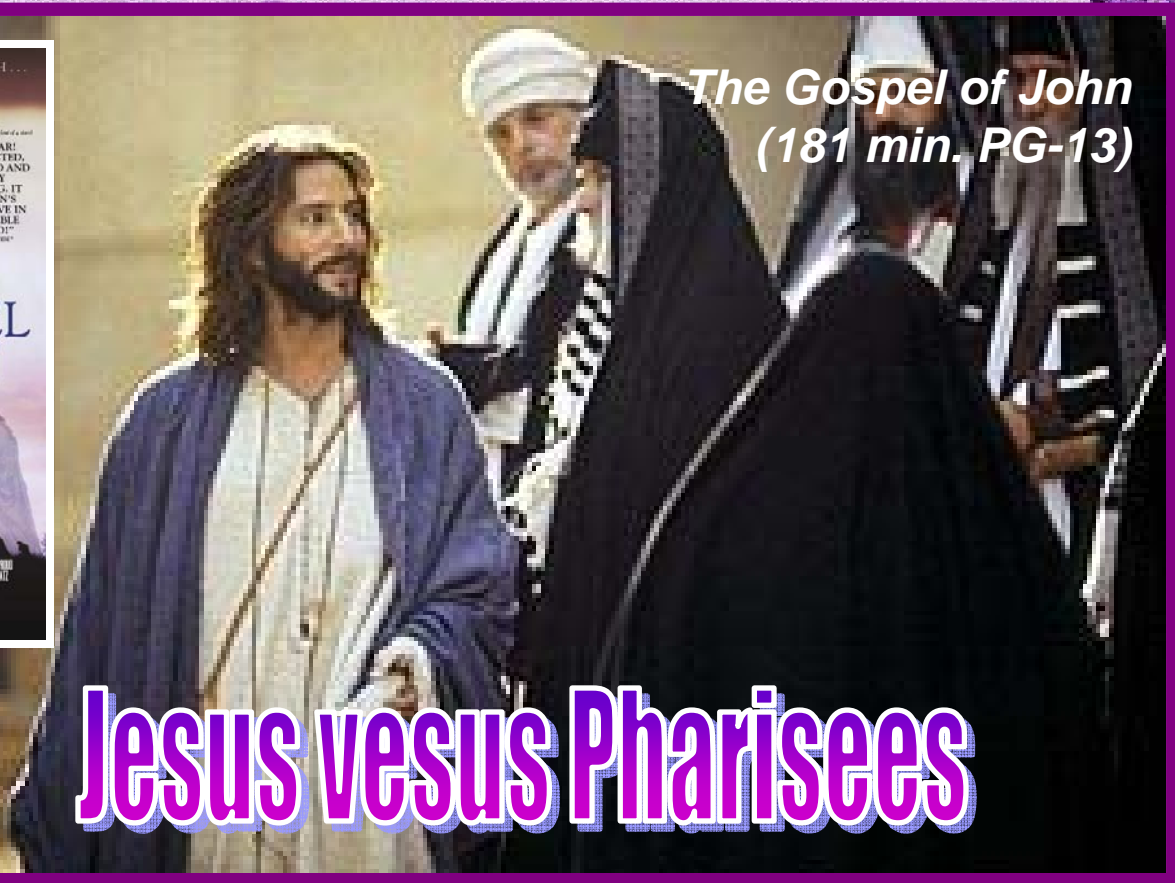
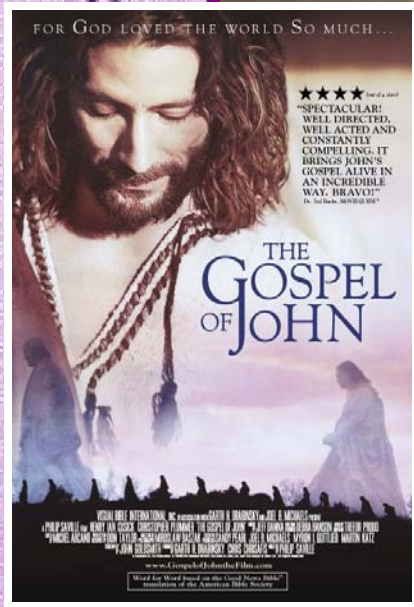
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**ARE CHRISTIANS
MORE LIKE
JESUS OR MORE
LIKE THE
PHARISEES?**

CHURCH ISN'T A
MUSEUM
FOR GOOD PEOPLE
IT'S A HOSPITAL
FOR THE BROKEN

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The Gospel of John
(181 min. PG-13)

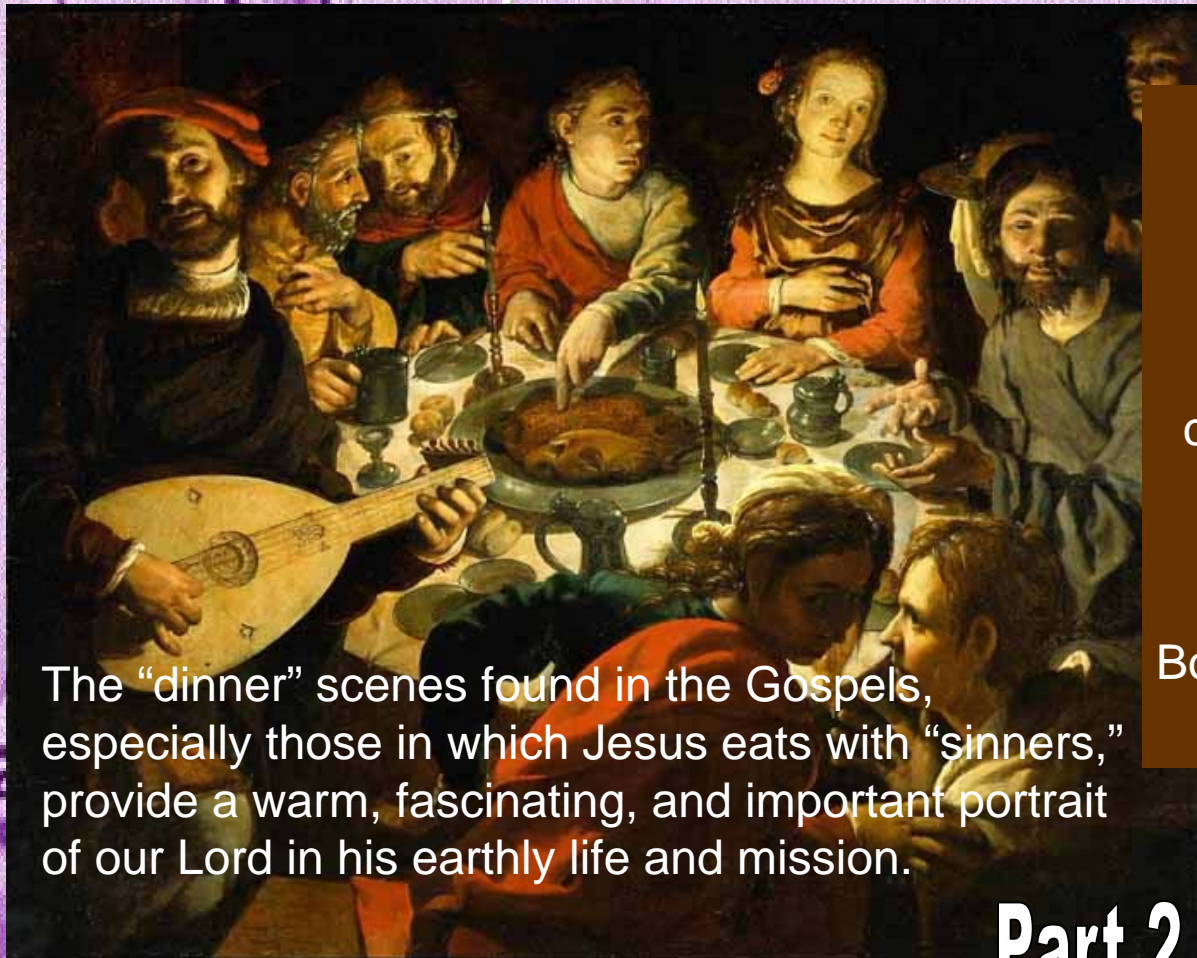
Jesus versus Pharisees

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The calling of St John during the marriage at Cana.
Jan Cornelisz. Vermeyen
circa 1530-1532. Oil on panel.
66.5 x 85 cm
Maastricht, Bonnefantenmuseum

The “dinner” scenes found in the Gospels, especially those in which Jesus eats with “sinners,” provide a warm, fascinating, and important portrait of our Lord in his earthly life and mission.

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A painting of Jesus walking on a path, with a large, stylized heart in the foreground. The heart is rendered in a dark, textured style, and Jesus is depicted in a simple, dark silhouette. The background is a light, textured wash of color.

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**Jesus loves us -
sinned, sinful, and sinning.**

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**MY GOD
LOVES
EVERYONE**

good guys n bad guys

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A woman in a blue dress is walking on a path that leads towards a large, gnarled tree. The scene is set in a natural, outdoor environment with a clear sky and some foliage in the background.

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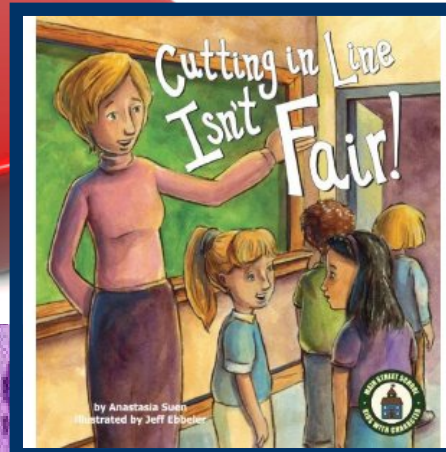
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On hearing this, Jesus said,

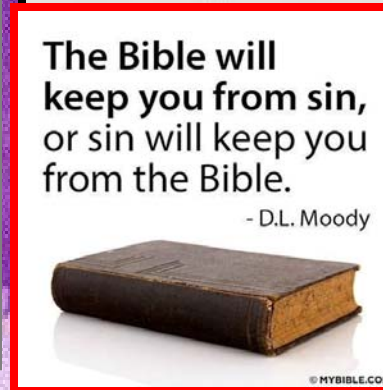
"It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick.

- Matthew 9:12



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