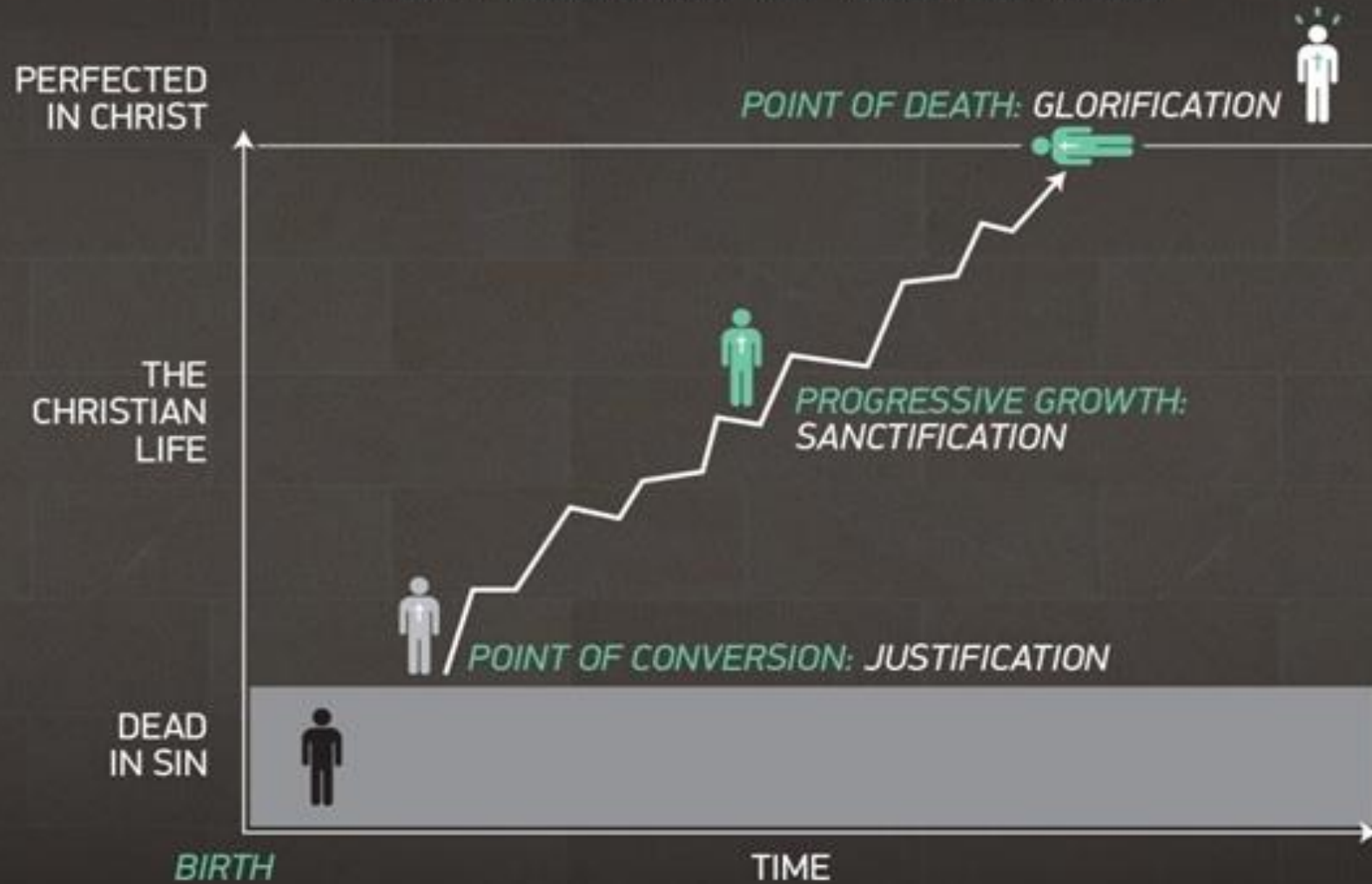


# Jesus Breaks The Pharisee's Sabbath Tradition

Mark 2: 23 – 3: 6

# THE PROCESS OF SALVATION



**Verse 23 - 24**

**The Pharisees are spying on Jesus**

**The Pharisees are making a value judgment – “*this is what I think is right*” – we do this all the time!**

We all have them, our list of do's and do nots

**We have freedom in Christ; not freedom to sin, but freedom to live according to God's Word**

Freedom to let others have God deal with them on non-sin issues

**Some things we have the freedom to do, but God has informed us, this is not for you, stay away**

God knows how you are wired, what will hurt you, make you stumble, or cause you great harm

**Anything that takes me from God is a NO GO for me!**

Verse 25 - 26

**Jesus' response – “Have you never read?”**

# Jesus holds us responsible for what is written in His Word



**David's act was unlawful, but God was not offended by what David did**

**David's act was done to satisfy a legitimate need when his men were weak with hunger**

**There is a "greater good" principle at work here:**

*Human need trumps religious ritual!*

**What would you do in difficult, impossible situations?**

**I believe God will speak to your heart at the time and tell you the best course of action – Matthew 10: 16-19**

Verse 27 - 28

**Sabbath work – Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath**

**The purpose of the Sabbath was REST not RULES!**

**The Pharisees made the Sabbath rule laden, a burden to the people**

***“The Son of Man is also Lord of the Sabbath”* – a God claim!**

**Jesus came to lift burdens – Matthew 11: 28-30**

**THINK RELIGION – THINK RULES!**

**THINK JESUS – THINK FREEDOM!**

**Jesus to you:**

***FOLLOW ME AND LIVE FREE!***



*The Sabbath is more than a day, it is a daily,  
moment by moment, rest in our Lord!*

**Verse 3: 1-6**

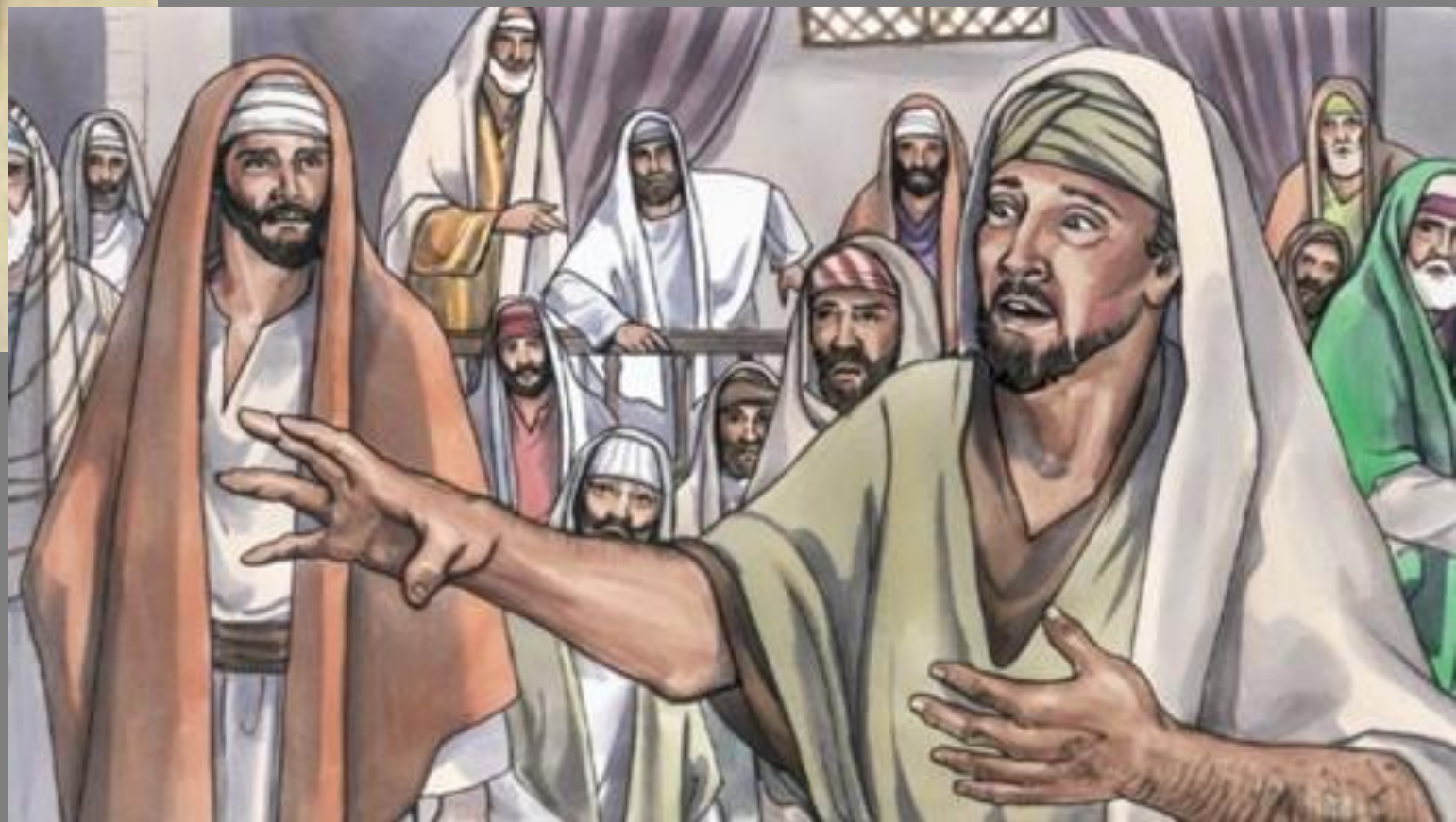
**Pharisees and Sabbath healing**

**Pharisees don't doubt that Jesus can heal, they don't care; they want to catch Jesus breaking their rules**

**In verse 4, Jesus asks a compassion question, and *“they kept silent”***

**Their silence irritated Jesus; He was angered by their “don't care” attitude**

**These guys could care less about the man's withered hand; they just cared about their status!**



**Jesus did the sign, the miracle – where is the wonder, the response to the miracle?**

***NONE!***

**Pharisees don't care about the miracle; they plot to kill Jesus - *we must get rid of this Guy!***

**CLOSING THOUGHTS: JESUS IS HATED BY MOST,  
WONDERFUL TO A FEW!**

**The world system, controlled by Satan, is against true believers; *but Jesus is for you!***

**There are a few who find the narrow gate, *Jesus is for you!*  
Matthew 7: 13-14**

**Jesus always shows up for the few who are hurting and needy!**

**Jon Courson talks about the “*Wonderful Man*” who heals hurts, does the unusual, performs miracles**

**The “*Wonderful Man*” is with us through all the stuff of life, all the impossibles of life**

The ***“Wonderful Man”*** has given you a promise in His Word that is mind blowing:

***“I will never leave you nor forsake you”***  
**Hebrews 13: 5**

I thank my heavenly Father for sending His Wonderful Son into this awful world to save me!

***THANK YOU, FATHER,  
FOR THE WONDERFUL LORD JESUS CHRIST!***

***MY WONDERFUL SAVIOR!!***