

**Picking grain and healing on the sabbath in Mark 2.23-3.6 and Luke 6.11**  
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**Mark 2.23-28**

One sabbath **he** was going through the grainfields; **and as they made their way** his disciples **began to** pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "**Look**, why are **they** doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" **And he said to them**, "Have you **never** read what David did when he and his companions were hungry **and in need of food**? He entered the house of God, **when Abiathar was high priest**, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." Then he said to them, "**The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so** the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

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**Mark 3.1-6**

**Again** he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. **They** watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they **might accuse** him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come **forward**." Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to **kill**?" **But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and** said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He **stretched it out**, and his hand was restored. **The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.**

**Luke 6.1-5**

One sabbath while **Jesus** was going through the grainfields, his disciples plucked **some** heads of grain, **rubbed them in their hands, and ate them. But some of** the Pharisees said, "Why are **you** doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" **Jesus answered**, "Have you **not** read what David did when he and his companions were hungry? He entered the house of God and **took and** ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and gave some to his companions?" Then he said to them, "The Son of Man is lord of the sabbath."

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**Luke 6.6-11**

**On another sabbath** he entered the synagogue and taught, and there was a man there whose **right** hand was withered. **The scribes and the Pharisees** watched him to see whether he would cure on the sabbath, so that they might **find an accusation against him. Even though he knew what they were thinking**, he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come **and stand here**." **He got up and stood there.** Then **Jesus** said to them, "**I ask you**, is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to **destroy it**?" **After looking around at all of them**, he said to him, "Stretch out your hand." He **did so**, and his hand was restored. **But they were filled with fury and discussed with one another what they might do to Jesus.**

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