



#### 4. Spiritually \_\_\_\_\_ people-

Notice how those who didn't get Jesus, accused Him:

- Accusation- He healed a paralytic using the wrong \_\_\_\_\_  
(Matt. 9:1-8)

- Accusation- He ministered to the wrong \_\_\_\_\_ in the wrong  
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"When the Pharisees saw this, they asked His disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and 'sinners?'" Matt. 9:9-13

- Accusation- He healed on the wrong \_\_\_\_\_

Matt. 12:9-14 "Going on from that place, He went into their synagogue, <sup>10</sup> and a man with a shriveled hand was there. Looking for a reason to accuse Jesus, they asked Him, 'Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?'"

#### 5. Spiritually \_\_\_\_\_ people- Luke 15:25-32

"The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. <sup>29</sup> But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup> But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!' <sup>31</sup> **'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours.** <sup>32</sup> But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again, he was lost and is found."

#### THE KINGDOM OF JOY

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field." Matt. 13:44-46

"Joyless Christianity is the Devil's religion." John Wesley

- Action- I must take ownership of my problem. (1 John 1:9)
- Action- I must realize that my resources are completely inadequate to change myself. (John 3:6, Gal. 3:2-3)
- Action- I must surrender by giving God permission to do anything it takes to change me to be like Christ and agree to cooperate with Him in anything He shows me. (Rom. 12:1-2, 8:29)

God does not want us to change to be like Christ;  
God wants to change us to be like Christ.