

More or Less?

Imagine

Matthew 9:14-17 • February 27, 2013

Then John's disciples came and asked Him, "How is it that we and the Pharisees fast, but Your disciples do not fast?"

Matthew 9:14 (NIV)

On Herod's birthday the daughter of Herodias danced for them and pleased Herod so much that he promised with an oath to give her whatever she asked. Prompted by her mother, she said, "Give me here on a platter the head of John the Baptist."

Matthew 14:6-8 (NIV)

So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place.

Mark 6:32 (NIV)

Seeing The Picture

1. Time of _____

Jesus answered, "How can the guests of the bridegroom mourn while he is with them? The time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them; then they will fast."

Matthew 9:15 (NIV)

2. Time of _____

"No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch will pull away from the garment, making the tear worse."

Matthew 9:16 (NIV)

3. Time of _____

"Neither do men pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins will burst, the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved."

Matthew 9:17 (NIV)

When?

1. Time of _____

Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. After fasting forty days and forty nights, He was hungry.

Matthew 4:1-2 (NIV)

2. Time of _____

Moses was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights without eating bread or drinking water. And he wrote on the tablets the words of the covenant—the Ten Commandments.

Exodus 34:28 (NIV)

3. Time of _____

“Even now,” declares the LORD, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning.”

Joel 2:12 (NIV)

4. Time of _____

Paul and Barnabas appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, committed them to the Lord, in whom they had put their trust.

Acts 14:23 (NIV)

5. Time of _____

They mourned and wept and fasted till evening for Saul and his son Jonathan, and for the army of the LORD and the house of Israel, because they had fallen by the sword.

2 Samuel 1:12 (NIV)