

Message 61:
Who's in charge here?
Luke 16:14-18

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Focus question

What does the confrontation with the Pharisees tell us about Jesus' authority?

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1. He exposes hypocrisy and determines what is valuable.

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Luke 16:14-15

The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him.

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And he said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.

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2. He is the fulfillment of God's eternal Word.

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Luke 16:16-17

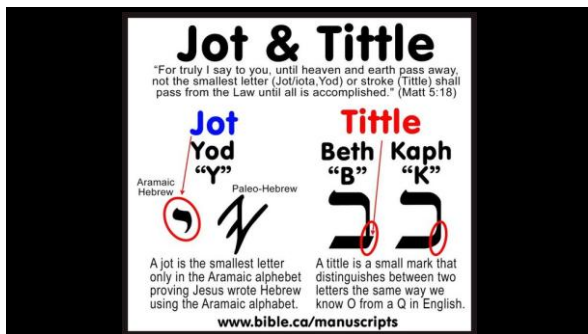
“The Law and the Prophets were until John; since then the good news of the kingdom of God is preached, and everyone forces his way into it.

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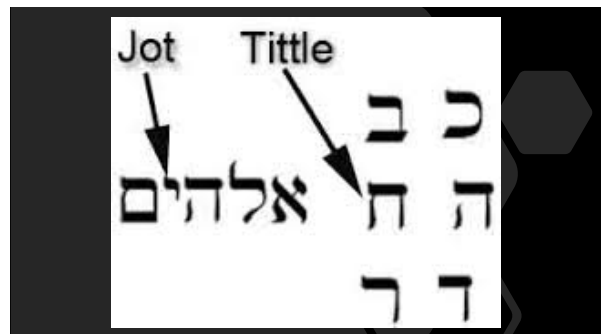
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17 But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one dot of the Law to become void.

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3. He destroys attempts to find loopholes to obedience.

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Luke 16:18

“Everyone who divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery, and he who marries a woman divorced from her husband commits adultery.

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Application Question

Who or what is in charge of your life?