

Discipleship Discussion Series—Debating—Like Jesus—B.E.S.T. (4)

(B.E.S.T. Belief Evaluation, Sessions and Topics)

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This is a compilation of some of the Scriptures about the topic, with a brief summary.

Please check the Scriptures to be sure of accuracy.

The # column is for easier reference.

B is the number of the Book as it is listed in the Bible.

Book, C, V, and V is for the Bible Book, the Chapter, the first Verse and, if needed, an end Verse.

Debating, it seems, done in an orderly way can bring unity.

Debating, it seems, done in a disorderly way can bring chaos and division.

It seems Jesus engage in debates.

We study Jesus to become like Him, to, at best, engage in debates in a loving and orderly way.

Please not that the “Observations” are just that; please be discerning as you review these statements.

We are to be transformed by the renewal of our minds [Romans 12:2].

We can renew our minds by evaluating our beliefs according to Scripture.

Do you believe the following statements?

By Bible Book Order:

#	B	Book	C	V	V	Session	Statements	Observation
1	41	Mark	3	1		Public place	Jesus entered the synagogue.	Jesus went into a public place, the center of the Jewish governance.
2	41	Mark	3	1		Needs	A man was there whose hand was withered.	There was a man in the public place who had a need.
3	41	Mark	3	2		Watched	They were watching Him closely.	Mark reports that ‘they’ were watching closely.
4	41	Mark	3	2		Accusers	They were watching Him closely to see if He would heal on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse Him.	Mark reports that ‘they’ were watching closely, with a contrary motive, to see if He would heal on the Sabbath so they could accuse Him.
5	41	Mark	3	3		Bold	Jesus said to the man with the withered hand to ‘Get up and come forward!’	Jesus told the man to come forward, in front of everyone, not at all hiding what He was going to do.
6	41	Mark	3	4		Questions	Jesus asked them if it was lawful to do good on the Sabbath or to do harm, to save a life or to kill.	Jesus, with a question, went to the heart of the issue.
7	41	Mark	3	4		Hiding in lies	After Jesus asked the question, those who were watching Him were silent.	Those who were watching Jesus to accuse Him could not answer Him because, perhaps, the truth would have exposed them and their purposes.
8	41	Mark	3	5		Anger	Jesus looked around at them with anger.	Jesus could become angry at the situation and the people who were against

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								Him, and at people being against doing good.
9	41	Mark	3	5		Grieved	Jesus was grieved at their hardness of heart.	Jesus seemed to know what was in their hearts and was grieved by the hardness He saw there.
10	41	Mark	3	5		Healing	Jesus healed the withered hand.	Jesus went ahead and did what was right and good by healing the withered hand.
11	41	Mark	3	6		Conspiring	The Pharisees went out and immediately began conspiring with the Herodians against Him, as to how they might put Him to death.	For doing good in an open way, Jesus became the target of those who disapproved and their solution was to put Him to death.

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