



**Life Group Questions
(Matthew 12:15-21)**

1. Read Matthew 12:14-21. What stands out to you most from this passage? What questions come to mind?
2. Compare the Pharisees to Jesus. How do they differ? Look up the following passages describing the Pharisees:
 - Matthew 9:11
 - Matthew 9:33-34
 - Matthew 12:2, 9-10, 14
 - Matthew 12:24, 38
 - Matthew 23:1-7, 13-15, 23-28
3. Do you have a sense of how broken and sinful you were/are? Look up the following passages describing humanity:
 - 1 Kings 8:46
 - Romans 3:23
 - Psalm 14:3
 - Psalm 143:2
 - Jeremiah 17:9
 - John 8:34
 - Romans 7:18
 - Romans 8:8
 - Titus 1:15

Why is it so important to understand the bad news of our fallenness in order to understand the good news of the gospel?

4. If you are following Jesus, the goal is to become more and more like him. In verses 18-21 we're told that Jesus was Spirit-led, didn't shout or quarrel with people and cared for those who were broken and bruised. Does your life look like that? What areas are most lacking?