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Is It Time to Celebrate?

Mk 2:18-22

Intro. 1. Gratitude.
2. One time Ch. has party against - Ch'mas. Jolly, Merry.
Joyous. Not so at Easter.
3. Think it proper? Serious to unbelievers what might have upset the many.

I Surprise Subj w/ Question.
1. Not so in camel train days. (Propriety - Society.)
2. But learned.
a. By experience.
1) How mourning or devastating the agony of ministry or social ostracism.
2) How much of life here rather than the next, mourning.
Herodist wedding & in our family
Shirt tail out
Cupcakes + candle.
Cake at common table.
b. By men of Jesus.
written proper not right/wrong, time/?
good/evil, Script/not.
1) Mk. 2:1-3:6.
2) Comparisons.

II Major Theme of Propriety - Joy, Celebration.
1. Our text Mk. 2:18 ff - Fasting.
2. His stories of parties. Lk. 15. Forg. O.K. but marked ashes, tears, breaking, bread + water.
3. What do you think - Jolly, Merry, Party at Church?
4. Some think not -
a. Personality.
b. Definitions. Can't relig. celebrate any[thing]
Boy w/ A
c. Unproductive. Ought, must, should.
d. Real sense of Joy as shallow.
e. But not now. Premature.
f. Unfeeling.. Misery in world.
Dennis
Mary + Rachel
When proper? Read Pogan - never; read Bible - today. Joy to the World.