

Image of the Pharisees in Mark & Acts

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Forget Drake and Kendrick Lamar Jesus and the Pharisees had the hottest beef of all time



Pharisees claiming to be Pious but proving to be Hypocrites

Mark

- Jesus is questioned by the Pharisees in regard to why his disciples did not uphold the tradition of the elders.
- Jesus responds by stating, quoting Isaiah 29:13.
- Rather than abiding in the word of God, which stresses obedience over sacrifice, the Pharisees focused on religious practices to honor God.

Acts

- Pharisees argue that Gentiles should be circumcised .
- Peter denounces (15.10-11).
- The Pharisees demand that the Gentiles practice customs they did not practice fully is an example of how they favored law above all else.



Pharisees burned with jealousy toward followers of Jesus

Mark

- Jesus' growing support made him harder for the Pharisees to refute.
- Pharisees plot to kill Jesus but couldn't because the crowd of his following (Mark 11.18).
- The Pharisees desire to KILL Jesus, a man doing good, demonstrated how they burned with jealousy due to their loss of reverence.

Acts

- The Pharisees note how the disciples continue to preach after Jesus' death.
- The Pharisees order that they stop preaching. However the disciples do not comply (Acts 3).
- The Pharisees plot to dismantle the growing popularity of the gospel highlights their fear and jealousy.



The Pharisees using Scrutiny against Jesus and his Followers

Mark

- Pharisees watch Jesus on the Sabbath to see if he will perform a miracle.
- Jesus questions the Pharisees and leaves them stunned and unable to convict him (Mark.3.2).
- The Pharisees attempt to entrap Jesus simply prove his divine knowledge and credibility.

Acts

- The Pharisees investigate the lives of Peter and John to be able to arrest them.
- They discover that there is nothing corrupt in their lifestyles and have been influenced by the Holy Spirit (Acts 4.13).
- The Pharisees effort and failure to accuse Jesus' disciples demonstrate their corruption.



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