1. **Luke 6:1-2**
   * + Where were the apostles and Jesus walking and why chose this path?
     + **Exodus 16:22-30, Leviticus 23:3**
     + Do you think the apostles were acting “unlawful” by picking heads of grain and eating them on the Sabbath according to what you see in **Exodus** and **Leviticus**?
     + **Deuteronomy 23:25-26**
     + Considering the apostles were “going through” their “neighbor’s grain field”, and “picking” and “eating” from it, were they stealing their neighbor’s food?
2. **Luke 6:3-5**
   * + How does Jesus Respond to the Pharisees’ question?
     + **Leviticus 24:5-9**
     + According to the Levitical Law was David allowed to eat the showbread?
     + How many loaves of “showbread” are made at a time according to **Leviticus**?
     + Share a thought that comes to mind when you consider the number of loaves?
     + **1 Samuel 21:1-8**
     + In this passage, what did the Priest give David and his men to eat?
     + What do the actions of “David” and the “Priest” say to you about the Law’s application in times of need?
     + In this story about David and the show bread, consider these three questions:
       - Which character would be **Jesus**,the **Apostles**, and the **Pharisees**?
     + **1 Samuel 22:6-10, 17-19**
     + What did the individual or individuals you chose to represent the **Pharisees** do in this reading that matches what they are doing and will do in the **Gospel**?
     + How does Jesus justify David’s actions, and the actions of his apostles?
     + Using Jesus’ interpretation of the Sabbath Law, how would you explain what is forbidden and what is allowed today to a fellow Christian on the sabbath?
     + See the **Catechism** sections about the Law **577-582** and **2168-2173**

* **St. Ambrose** (339 AD – 397 AD) *Exposition of The Gospel of Luke 5.32-33*

“Then, fittingly does the Lord show also in this passage the image of the future in the Law, and prove that the **defenders of the Law do not know what pertains to the Law**, adducing as an example that **David himself**, when he and his companions were hungry, entered in the **House of God and took the showbread**, and **ate**, and gave to those who were with him. Truly, a great and Prophetic example, whereby**, us to follow**; secondly, because David, fleeing with his companions from the face of King Saul, is here in the Law **prefigured as Christ**, who with his **Apostles** lay **hidden from the prince of the world**. But why did not the keeper and defender of the Law himself eat and give to those who were with him the bread which it was not lawful to eat, saved for the Priests, except to show by that image, **that the Priestly food was to pass to the usage of the people**s, or that we must all imitate the Priestly life, or that all the sons of the Church are Priest? For **we are anointed into the holy priesthood**, offering ourselves as spiritual sacrifices to God**.**”

* **St. Cyril of Alexandria** (378 AD – 444 AD) *Commentary on Luke Sermon 22*

“If therefore the new covenant is the second and different from the first, there is every necessity of those who wish to live according to it, to abandon the old laws, and conform to those which will guide them into the newness of the gospel polity. But of all this we can see the Scribes and Pharisees comprehended nothing, for being altogether destitute of knowledge of the sacred Scriptures, they had but **one sole purpose on every occasion to find fault** with the divine and heavenly preaching. **They lie in wait therefore for the holy apostles in their constant attendance upon our common Savior Christ**, and tell Him concerning them, ‘Behold we see those who are under Your instruction acting contrary to the precepts of the law, for they do what is not lawful to do on sabbaths. For while the law enjoins men to do no work on the sabbath, and to meddle with no labor whatsoever, your disciples are rubbing ears of corn with their hands.’ But tell me, do not you yourselves, **when setting the sabbath meal, break the bread**? Why then do you blame others? But that we may use against thee the bulwark of the Saviors words, listen; Now even though **David acted contrary to what the law approves**, yet he is **rightly and justly esteemed by us as worthy of all admiration**, for he was in truth a saint and prophet. Since, therefore, the law of Moses expressly commands, ‘**Judge just judgement, and regard not the person in judgement**,’ how, said He, do you condemn My disciples while you still admire as a saint and prophet the blessed David, although **he did not keep Moses’ command**?’ But by the loaves of the shewbread, there is clearly indicated to us the bread that comes down from heaven to be set forth upon the holy tables of the churches, and all the furniture of the table, used for the performance of its mystical service, was a plain type of the divine treasures. **But spiritually the bread signifies the twelve Apostles**, of whom we shall speak in duo order, when our discourse reaches the disciples themselves.”

* Please share a final thought that stood out to you today with the group.