"Beware of False Doctrine"

(The High Cost of Wrong Beliefs)

I. How do we grow? - Mark 2:1-12

We: GET SAVED ----- GET WELL ----- GET GOING

WARNING: If a new believer "gets going" before he "gets well" he is likely to "get himself and others into spiritual trouble." 1 Tim 3:6

II. What does "getting well" look like? - Rom 12:1-2

The Big Idea: "Getting well" in Jesus Christ is the equivalent of "lie replacement therapy" whereby the lies of the world and the devil which we have embraced are replaced with God's truth. We call this process *Discipleship*.

III. What is one of the biggest deterrents to "getting well"? Thirteen times in the 4 Gospels Jesus indicates that it is "false doctrine" --- wrong beliefs.

Most false doctrine falls into one of two categories:

- A. LEGALISM An over emphasis on "law" (Gal. 2:15-16)
- B. **LICENTIOUSNESS** An over emphasis on "man's freedom" (Rom 6:14-18)

2 Tim 4:1-4 NIV

1 In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: 2 Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage-with great patience and careful instruction. 3 For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. 4 They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.