



JESUS AND THE PHARISEES



THE COMPLAINT AGAINST JESUS	THE PHARISEES' RESPONSE
They were jealous of Jesus's popularity and influence (John 12:19).	They threatened that anyone who confessed Jesus as the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue (John 9:22,34; 12:42).
They felt threatened by the authority of Jesus's teaching (John 2:13-25; 6:22-66; 8:12-59).	Jesus taught that God the Father sent Him, but they rejected this because they rejected the Father (John 8:17-19). When Jesus said, "I am," claiming to be God, they wanted to kill Him (John 8:58-59).
Jesus exposed their hypocrisy (Matthew 15:1-9; 23:1-36; Mark 12:1-44; Luke 11:37-52; 12:1-3).	The Pharisees opposed Jesus, questioned Him, and tried to trap Him in what He said (Luke 11:53-54).
They understood some of Jesus's parables were denouncing them (Matthew 21:28-46; Luke 15:1-16:31; 18:9-14; John 12:39-43).	Jesus said, "The kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruit" (Matthew 21:43), so the Pharisees wanted to arrest Him (Matthew 21:46).
They did not want to lose their power and place in society (John 11:47-57).	They plotted to kill Jesus, so He could not walk openly among the Jews (John 11:53-54).
Jesus healed on the Sabbath (Matthew 12:1-14; Luke 13:10-17; 14:1-6; John 5:1-16; 9:1-41).	Jesus said He is "Lord of the Sabbath" (Matthew 12:8), and they plotted to kill Him (Matthew 12:14) because He humiliated them (Luke 13:17).
Jesus claimed to be the Messiah (Luke 4:16-21; 19:37-40; John 4:25-26; 7:25-32; 9:35-38; 10:24-30).	They used His truthful claim to be the Messiah as the reason to put Him to death (Matthew 26:62-68).

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