



Parable of a New Cloth Patch on an Old Coat

"Besides, who would patch old clothing with new cloth? For the new patch would shrink and rip away from the old cloth, leaving an even bigger tear than before.

Lesson

Jesus is making a point in regards to the implications of his coming in regards to the old and new covenants. Jesus' ministry and sacrifice is the establishment of a new covenant.

Jesus is saying, "My disciples aren't fasting because God is establishing a new covenant."

Jesus is saying he was the start of a new religion separate from Judaism. He did not come to patch up the old system, but rather, to bring a new system. The old legalistic rules and traditions did not fit with the new message.