

## Do Rules Rule?

The religious leaders of Jesus' day might have argued that "rules are rules." Jesus, on the other hand, pointed out that righteousness was more than rule keeping.

Look up the following pairs of Scripture texts and summarize the rule stated in each text. Why do the rules seem to contradict? Is there a greater rule that rules all rules?

**Summarize these verses:**

**Exodus 20:15** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Deuteronomy 23:24, 25** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Leviticus 24:8, 9** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Matthew 12:3, 4 with 1 Samuel 21:1-6** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Summarize these verses:**

**Exodus 20:8-10** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Matthew 12:5 with Numbers 28:9, 10** \_\_\_\_\_  
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How does the greater rule found in Matthew 12:7, 12b explain these exceptions to the rules?