Sermon Notes

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Date: July 12th, 2026
Series: For King and Kingdom
Sermon: "Responding to Opposition" (2)
Text: Matthew 12:15-45

Introduction: This passage breaks down into ***two stages:***

I. Religious attack from the Pharisees (vv. 1-14) – two principles:
   A. The Son of man is Lord of the Sabbath (vv. 1-8)
   B. Doing good supersedes ritual observance (vv. 9-14)
II. The response of Jesus to this opposition (vv. 15-45)
   A. A strategic withdrawal (vv. 15 -21) - two purposes:
      1. To avoid premature confrontation (vv. 15-16)
      2. To reinforce his Messianic identity (vv. 17-21)

Now, there is a second major step:

B. A strategic _____ (12:22-45) - three indictments:

1. They are _____ of the HS (vv. 22-32) – two prongs:

   a. Jesus on _____ (vv. 25-29)

   b. Jesus on _____ (vv. 30-32)

2. They are _____ _____ bearing _____ _____ (vv. 33- 37)

3. They are a _____ and _____ generation (vv. 38-45)

   a. They demand _____ instead of exercising _____ (vv. 38-42)

   b. They are _____ to every unclean spirit (vv. 43-45)

Conclusion:

"Responding to Opposition"

Matthew 12:15-45

BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH

July 12, 2026

Services @ 8:30 & 11:00 am • Sunday School @ 10:00 am

New Member Baptisms

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Welcome

Thank you for joining us today at Berean Baptist Church. We would delight in assisting you in any way that we can. Please feel free to stop by the Welcome Center after the 11 AM Worship. Information regarding children's classes and our check-in system are located in the lobby at the child check-in kiosk.

Prayer

Missionary of the Month:
Nathan & Jen Eda – India/Independent Baptist Mission
Prayer Families of the Week: *Greg Brown, Katie Koppin, Keith & Linda Shelton, Al & Sue Uema*
Prayer Ministry of the Month: *Local Missions*
Pastor/Minister of the Week: *Jacob & Mariah Krizan*
Deacon of the Week: *Joshua & Shwema Doredla*

Calendar

Monday 13th	**Tuesday 14th**	**Wednesday 15th**
Anchormen 7:30 AM Men's BBQ 6 PM Revel 7 PM		Women of Wisdom 10 AM Prayer Night 7 PM Youth Group 6 PM
Thursday 16th	**Friday 17th**	**Saturday 18th**
Deacon Meeting 7 PM		

For a detailed listing of future events, please refer to our website calendar: www.bereanlife.org/calendar/

Stewardship

Tithes/Offerings:	$15,282	YTD Giving:	$427,572
Weekly Budget:	$17,714	YTD Budget:	$478,281
YTD Missions:	$66,468	Building Fund:	$328,858
Local Missions:	$73,840		

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Announcements

MEN'S MINISTRY BBQ
Join us tomorrow, **July 13th from 6-8 PM** in the gym for a great evening of fellowship and food. We'll be serving Chef Scott's pulled pork along with delicious Mission BBQ sides. All men are welcome—come enjoy good food and good company.

ALL-CHURCH PRAYER NIGHT
An All-Church Prayer Night sponsored by Men's Ministry will be on **Wednesday, July 15, from 7-8 PM** in the Commons. Please join us in prayer and praise to our Heavenly Father, the giver of all good gifts and the One whose name is worthy of all honor and glory. We will spend time thanking God for who He is before bringing our requests to Him. Each week will include a brief meditation on a portion of the Lord's Prayer before we pray together. Come with any burdens or praises to share. Open to all members and regular attenders. Can't make it, but have prayer requests for the group? Contact Jonathan Brown or Katie Koppin. We can't wait to gather together.

CHURCH PICNIC POSTER MAKING CONTEST
To all the burgeoning and aspiring artists in our congregation, this year we are having a "Poster Making Contest" for our church picnic. As you are doubtless aware, each year we put up posters advertising and disseminating the pertinent information about the Picnic. This year, instead of "Kinkos" doing them. We want to enlist Berean's artists to make up a poster for this purpose. Please see the Bits & Bytes for details and guidelines.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS
There will be a membership class on **Wednesday, July 29 @ 6:30 PM** in the Fellowship Chapel. If you are interested in becoming a member here at Berean or you would like to learn more about us, please contact the church office at (248) 477-6365.

C2F CONFERENCE
The Revel Ministry will be hosting a special conference on **Friday, July 24, from 5:30–10:00 PM, and Saturday, July 25, from 9:00 AM–8:00 PM**. Scan the QR code for full details and to register.