

Bible Quiz

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In the period after the Babylonian exile, the Jews continued to live according to the Law of Moses, including the Ten Commandments and various liturgical and civil provisions. During this time, the rabbis began to develop the oral law, and during this period, the Pharisees emphasized the importance of strict observance of the law. The scribes, especially the Sadducees, followed the Mosaic Law primarily and did not endorse the oral law. This led to disagreements and arguments between them. But they all obeyed the law of Moses.

The origins of the Pharisees can be traced back to Jewish history in the mid-2nd century BC. They began as a group dedicated to upholding Jewish traditions and laws, especially during foreign invasions and Hellenistic influences. Scribes, on the other hand, were religious scholars who specialized in copying and interpreting the law. Over time, these two groups became important and influential religious leaders in Jewish society during Jesus' time and were criticized by Jesus for their overly appearance-oriented behavior.

Jesus did not completely deny the law that the Pharisees and writers obeyed, but criticized them for focusing too much on outward forms and ignoring the true spirit behind the law—righteousness, love, and faithfulness. He emphasized honesty of heart and sincere faith in God. Jesus was simply criticizing them about the content and essence of the Law, and He wanted them not only to obey the Law, but also to understand its core spirit and put it into practice in their daily lives.

Jesus did not say that the belief in the Falices and civils was completely wrong. Jesus wanted them to understand that faith should be embodied in love, mercy, and righteousness, not just in the superficial observance of the law.