

Use “The Scene” to introduce “No Rules?” the Young Teen Sunday school lesson for May 15, 2016. The lesson is found on page 69 of *Young Teen Teacher* by Standard Publishing.

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Viewing the latest news through the lens of Scripture

A news story from the past week highlighted a recent DUI arrest. This fairly common occurrence probably wouldn't have made the headlines at all, except the Florida man who was arrested just happened to also be a lawyer who advertised himself as being particularly tough on drunk drivers. In fact, his television ads featured him proclaiming his refusal to represent drunk drivers and noted that he would be the lawyer “going after” such people instead. His website describes people who drink and drive as “irresponsible” and declares driving under the influence as a “senseless and selfish” act (based on a report by *New York Daily News* online).

As students arrive, give each of them a copy of the above story to read. Then discuss it in this way:

Why do you think this story made the news? Does it seem like this is an unusual event to you? Why or why not?

What do you think might have caused the man to think it might be OK for him to break the law in this case?

Are there some laws that are more acceptable to break than others? Explain your answer.

Some people believe that regular rules and laws do not apply to them. Today we'll look at the story of Jeroboam and see how he thought he was above all the rules—even God's.