

10. The Jews' ritualistic, perfunctory approach to religion is what to our Lord?
11. The Jews of Isaiah's day were doing the right thing but they were doing it without any what?
12. Jesus' strongest words were directed against those who supposedly carried out the commandments of God but did so in a what?
13. When we do the right thing without any heart and simply go through the motions, we are in what kind of spiritual condition?
14. The two groups mentioned in Mark 7:1 were what in Israel?
15. What group was the copyists of the law of God?
16. You could say that both the scribes and Pharisees began with good intentions and good motives but slipped into a religion of what?
17. The issue in this story was not washing hands for cleanliness but the issue was what?
18. A set of non-biblical rules that had come about since the time of the Babylonian captivity is referred to as what?
19. Is there anything in the Old Testament law about everyone carrying out some kind of washing before eating?
20. The scribes and Pharisees wanted to know why the disciples of Jesus didn't follow the what?
21. Rather than answer their question, Jesus zeroed in on their what?
22. Most people in our culture assume that love means never being what?
23. What is it called when we pretend to be what we are not?
24. Have you ever been a hypocrite?
25. We justify ourselves by dismissing our disobedience in a specific area of life because we can point to what?
26. To live like a hypocrite is a big deal because it is a what?
27. We don't have the right to play what game?
28. The scribes and Pharisees were practicing hypocrisy but it's likely that they weren't willing to what?
29. The scribes and Pharisees ended up transgressing the commandments of God because of what?
30. What are two serious pitfalls to having some self-made religious rules and regulations that don't contradict the Word of God?
31. When we set up our religious standards and expect everyone else to follow them, we view others who don't follow them, as what?
32. What are two examples of religious rituals from a religion that are not merely neutral but are actually unbiblical?
33. What should be shown to parents and what should be given to them?
34. The scribes and Pharisees got around the command to honor and take care of parents by saying that they did what?
35. If you say that your resources are devoted to God but that results in your disobeying the word of God, that's NOT what?

36. What verse in the Old Testament did people use to support their lack of taking care of parents?

37. Have you ever seen deception in your own heart that is like that of the scribes and Pharisees?

38. When we cancel out the authority of the word of God by our own manipulation and our own contriving we are what?

39. When does God NOT want our worship?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

»»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?

»»How can I accomplish this change?

»»What is the first step toward bringing about this change

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FOR NEXT TIME:

1. Read Mark 1:1-7:23 through one time this week
2. Read Psalm 51 through one time this week.
3. Think about the "heart" (Not the physical organ). What things go on in your heart? What thoughts are there? What are some of your desires, cravings, beliefs, and consistent thoughts that go on in your heart?

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HYPOCRITICAL TRADITIONS

Mark 7:1-13

Series #31

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **"Hypocritical Traditions."** All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. What is one of the all time classic movies ever made that demonstrates the challenge of traditions versus Scripture?
2. Who did Jesus rebuke in Matthew 15:6 for making the commandment of God of no effect by their tradition?
3. What group of believers were warned by Paul to beware of "traditions of men..."?
4. The word "traditions" simply means something that is what?
5. When used in a positive way, "tradition" can refer to the what?
6. When Paul exhorted the Thessalonians to "hold the traditions" it was an exhortation to stand fast in the Lord and hold on to what?
7. Tradition is not always bad but it is bad when it contradicts or runs contrary to what?
8. The 7 famous last words of the church are what?
9. It is probably safe to say that the Jews of Jesus' day actually developed their traditions so they could conveniently do what?

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