

"Heart Defilement"

John 7:1; Mark 7:1-23; Matthew 15:1-20

I. The Ministry of Jesus Christ

- A. The **Death** of John the Baptist
- B. Jesus **Feeds** the 5000
- C. Jesus **Walks** on Water
- D. Jesus is the **Bread** of Life

E. Jesus Exposes Jews' **Hypocrisy**

1. The Accusation of the Scribes and Pharisees

- a. The Jews are desirous of _____ Jesus
 - * Pharisee
 - * Scribe

- b. The Pharisees _____ with Jesus' disciples

- c. The Pharisees made the accusation based on the " _____ "

2. The Response of Jesus

- a. Jesus cites _____ and calls them _____
 - * Honoring God with your lips means nothing people if it is not _____
 - * Honoring God with your lips means nothing is it not _____

- b. The evidence of their vain worship, which God does not receive, includes:

- 1. Teaching as doctrines the _____ of _____
- 2. _____ the commandments of God" in favor of _____ and traditions.
- 3. _____ the commandments of God so that they can keep _____!

3. The Example from Jesus of their Hypocrisy

- a. Corban!" is simply an exclamation and thus a vow that dedicates the money or the goods involved to God, the Temple, etc., and thus removes it from any other use.

- b. When you add to or replace the Bible, you in practice _____ the Bible and nullify its truth and power in your life (v. 13).

4. The Clarification from Jesus to His Disciples

- a. Following His encounter with the Pharisees, Jesus offered _____ to the disciples and those _____ around Him.
- b. The principle is that nothing that _____ a man from the _____ defiles him, but what _____ from the _____ defiles him.
- c. After coming together with the disciples in a _____, they desired further _____.
- d. Jesus declares that the _____ is the source of personal _____.
- e. **Evil Thoughts** – This is the root of all that follows. When an evil heart conjures up evil intentions, the evil person carries them out.
- f. **Adulteries** – Illicit sexual activity by married persons.
- g. **Fornications** – This word translates the Greek word "*porneia*" and it refers to any illicit sexual activity.
- h. **Murders** – The taking of an innocent life. By the way, you are guilty of murder if you have hatred in your heart toward another person, **1 John 3:15**.
- i. **Thefts** – Taking that which belongs to another for your own use.
- j. **Covetousness** – An insatiable craving for that which belongs to another. Greed, a desire for more at the expense or exploitation of another.
- k. **Wickedness** – This word means "*malice*" and it refers to all the ways that evil thoughts manifest themselves in a person's life. It is deliberate acts of meanness!
- l. **Deceit** – This word refers to cunning maneuvers designed to ensnare someone for one's personal advantage. It is the idea of someone trying to work undercover to bring someone else down. deception, dishonesty, cunning treachery Sneaky,
- m. **Lewdness** – This word refers to unrestrained, unbridled shameless behavior. It is an attitude that says, "*I will do as I please and I do not care what anyone thinks about it!*"

* What does this mean to you?