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The One with Food Traditions of the Pharisees

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Mark 7:1-8, 20-23 New International reader's Version (NIRV)

¹The Pharisees gathered around Jesus. So did some of the teachers of the law. All of them had come from Jerusalem.

²They saw some of his disciples eating food with "unclean" hands. That means they were not washed. ³The Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands to make them "clean." That's what the elders teach. ⁴When they come from the market, they do not eat unless they wash. And they follow many other teachings. For example, they wash cups, pitchers, and kettles in a special way.

⁵So the Pharisees and the teachers of the law questioned Jesus. "Why don't your disciples live by what the elders teach?" they asked. "Why do they eat their food with 'unclean' hands?" ⁶He replied, "Isaiah was right. He prophesied about you people who pretend to be good. He said, 'These people honor me by what they say. But their hearts are far from me. ⁷Their worship doesn't mean anything to me. They teach nothing but human rules.' ⁸You have let go of God's commands. And you are holding on to teachings that people have made up.

²⁰He went on to say, "What comes out of a person is what makes them 'unclean.' ²¹Evil thoughts come from the inside, from a person's heart. So do sexual sins, stealing and murder. ²²Adultery, greed, hate and cheating come from a person's heart too. So do desires that are not pure, and wanting what belongs to others. And so do telling lies about others and being proud and being foolish. ²³All these evil things come from inside a person and make them 'unclean.'"

Take notes by drawing or writing key words from the sermon.

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CLEAN

COMMANDS

DISCIPLES

ELDERS

FOLLOW

FOOD

HEARTS

INSIDE

ISAIAH

JERUSAELM

JESUS

LAW

PHARISEES

PROPHECY

SPECIAL

TEACHERS

UNCLEAN

WASH

WORSHIP

How can you grow in your relationship with Jesus? Draw or write your answer.

