

Lion Man

SERMON 5

TEXT: Mark 7



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Be sure to use the Mark reading guide as we study through this gospel.
 - Marriage Conference at Redeemer Friday and Saturday, March 15-16.
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LEADING OFF...

1. Has anyone ever butchered your name?
2. How does religion twist what is true and make it unbiblical?

BIG IDEA: Jesus is God's grace for God's enemies.

Read Mark 7:1-4

3. What good can we say about the Pharisees?
4. Why were the Pharisees so upset over the disciples not washing their hands?
5. What did the Pharisees believe was the purpose in keeping these rules?
6. How does religion deceive us, even today?
7. How does the gospel contradict religion?

Read Mark 7:5-8

8. How does religion appeal to our souls?
9. What is a clear indication you might be slipping into religion?
10. How might we be guilty, as Isaiah says, of "in vain" worshipping God?
11. How does pride and arrogance stand in the way of believing the gospel?

Read Mark 7:9-13

12. The Pharisees think that they are pleasing God by adding to His law. How does this actually reject the God of the law?
13. How does religion add to the law, but grace simplifies the law?
14. Knowing this, why do we sometimes still to rely on doing better and trying harder?

Read Mark 7:14-23

15. How does religion deal more with behavior than the evil within us?
16. What is the point of Jesus using bathroom analogies?
17. Why do you think Peter, through Mark, recounted this scene for us?

Wrapping Up...

Read Romans 5:6-11

18. How are we born as enemies of God?
19. How can you rest in the good news of the gospel?
20. Practically, how can this change your day tomorrow?