



DON'T MISS THE PLOT

Mark 7

You can preserve
the form...
and still miss
the Person.

5 So the Pharisees and teachers of religious law asked him, “Why don’t your disciples follow our age-old tradition? They eat without first performing the hand-washing ceremony.”

6 Jesus replied, “You hypocrites! Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you, for he wrote,

‘These people honor me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me.

7 Their worship is a farce,
for they teach man-made ideas as commands from God.’

8 For you ignore God’s law and substitute your own tradition.”

Mark 7:5 - 8



14 Then Jesus called to the crowd to come and hear. “All of you listen,” he said, “and try to understand. 15 It’s not what goes into your body that defiles you; you are defiled by what comes from your heart.”

Mark 7:14, 15

20 And then he added, “It is what comes from inside that defiles you. 21 For from within, out of a person’s heart, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, 22 adultery, greed, wickedness, deceit, lustful desires, envy, slander, pride, and foolishness. 23 All these vile things come from within; they are what defile you.”

Mark 7:20 - 23



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Mark 7:6-8

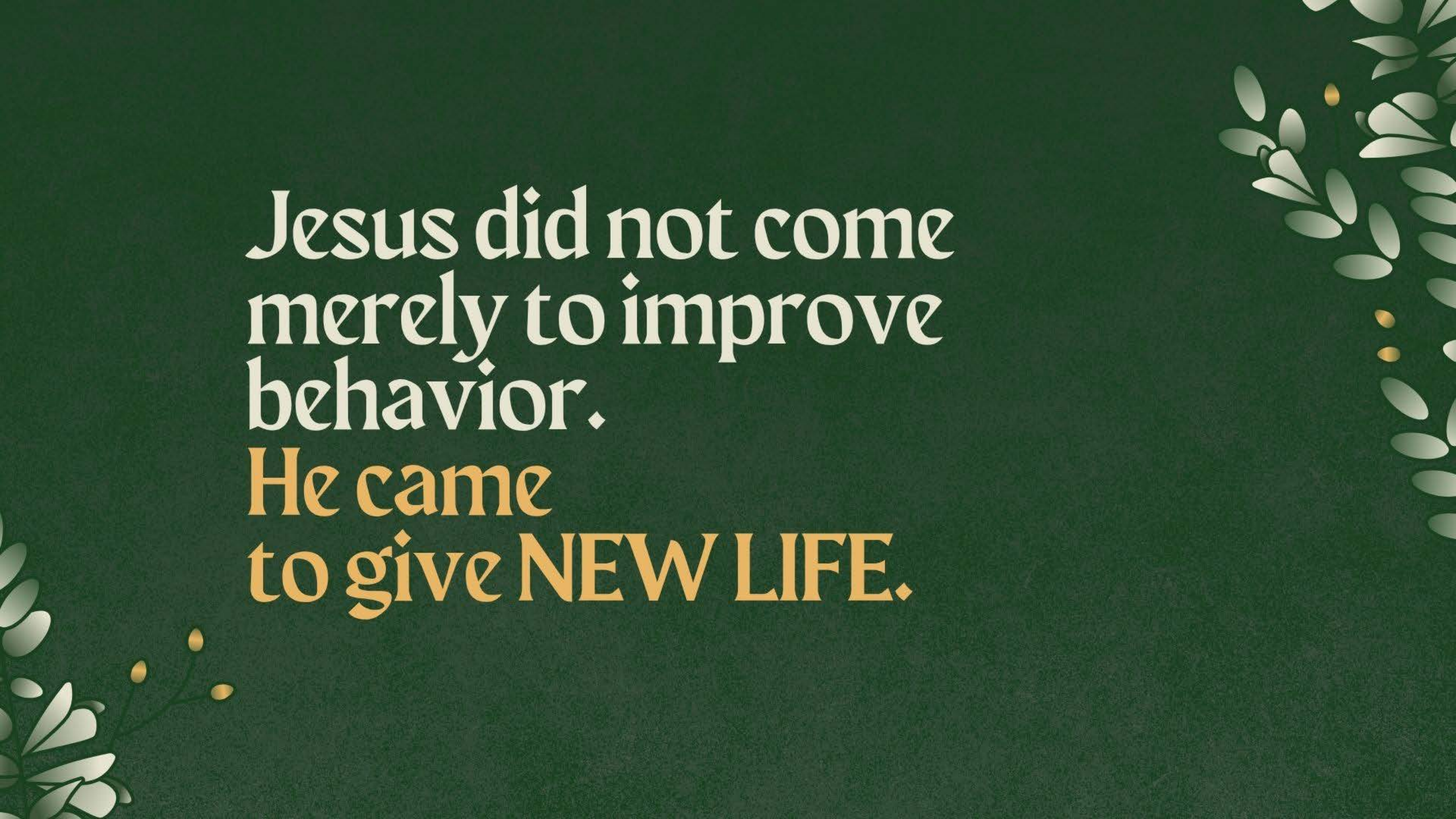


“These people honor me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me.”

— Mark 7:6



Jesus moves
the issue
from HANDS
to HEARTS

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Jesus did not come
merely to improve
behavior.

He came
to give **NEW LIFE.**

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Hearts near Jesus
become
SENT hearts.

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