



Title: Clean/Unclean

Scripture: Matthew 15:1-18

Date Preached: May 30, 2021

DISCUSSION STARTER:

As we enter into the summer, what are you hoping to accomplish during this season?

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Read the scripture text as a group. If you were unable to worship with us on Sunday, you can watch this week's sermon at my.worthingtoncc.org/listen.

1. How would you describe the Pharisees and the teachers of the law? Is there a common day example of this group?
2. Why are the Pharisees frustrated with the disciples? What were they hoping to accomplish by asking Jesus about the disciples' habits?
3. Why did Jesus rebuke the Pharisees? How were they being hypocritical? What does hypocrisy look like in Christianity today?
4. Jesus states that it is what comes out of the heart that makes a person pure. Why was this such a strong teaching to the Jews? What are the implications of this teaching to our walk with Jesus today?
5. How are our hearts connected to our relationship with Jesus? Read Proverbs 4:23. What does this verse tell us about the condition of our heart and the connection it has to our actions?

MY NEXT STEP:

Read Luke 6:45. Our words and actions come from the overflow of our heart. Reflecting on your own life, how would you gauge the matter of your heart?

Next Week's Sermon Title: Peter's Confession