

Your Way, My Way, or God's Way?

Mark 7:1-23

Introduction

There is something in the fallen heart of man that desires one thing: ' ____ first' or ' ____ way'.

There is something in our hearts that too often finds it easier to correct others than look inside our own _____.

There is only one authority and that is _____.

Overview

1. The _____

And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' Mark 7:5

- a. The pharisees and scribes elevated _____ above scripture.
- b. Scripture is the _____ authority.

2. The _____

And he said to them, 'Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written 'This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.' Mark 7:6-7

- a. The hearts of these leaders were _____ from the Lord.
- b. They looked for ways _____ the scripture.

3. The _____

And he called the people to him again and said to them, 'Hear me, all of you, and understand: There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.' Mark 7:14-15

- a. Be clear on what is _____ to God.
- b. The primary issue is not the outside but the _____.

4. The _____

For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person. Mark 7:21-23

- a. We must deal _____ and truthfully with sin.
- b. We must turn to God by grace through faith and find _____.

Conclusion

Ours is not to _____ the scriptures.

Ours is not to _____ the way.

It's _____ my way or your way.

It's _____ way.