

**Series "Behold Your King"**  
**"Is That Kosher?"**  
**Matthew 15:1-20**  
**Part-72**

Matthew 9:3; Matthew 12:1-8; Matthew 15:1-20 Ritual Uncleaness  
verses Moral Uncleaness.

**Outline:**

1. Verses – 1-9 Jesus And The Pharisees:
2. Verses – 10-11 Jesus And The Multitude:
3. Verses – 12-20 Jesus And The Disciples:

**1. Verses – 1-9 Jesus And The Pharisees:**

Tradition – "what is handed down"

This term "Tradition" can go two different ways:

1. Tradition is referred to as Scripture that was handed down:

1 Corinthians 11:2

2 Thessalonians 2:15

2. Tradition is Man's Opinion that was handed down:

The Jews called Tradition - "The Fence of The Law."

Colossians 2:8

Colossians 2:16-17

6 Characteristics Of False Tradition:

1. Those of False Tradition Are Fault-finders - For they (Disciples) do not wash their hands when they eat bread."

Matthew 14:13-21

2. Those of False Tradition make much out of what is little - Focusing on external things.

3. Those of False Tradition Want All Others To Follow Their View

Matthew 15:3

4. False Tradition Breaks God's Commandments - transgress the commandment of God "cross a known boundary, over step"

Matthew 15:4

"For God said, Jesus now quotes from the Law in Exodus 20:12; Leviticus 20:9

Matthew 15:6-7

Hypocrites - "one who speaks from beneath, an actor, stage player, pretender"

Here were men that were given the awesome responsibility of representing the Lord to the people, teaching them God's will for man. Showing them how to serve God and how to be pleasing to the Lord. It was all about them, it was all about their way of doing things.

Matthew 15:8

Isaiah 29:13

5. False Tradition Neglects The Issue Of The Heart -

Matthew 15:9

Vain - "tentative manipulation, unsuccessful search, fruitlessly"

6. False Tradition Exalts Man and Minimizes God - TEACHING AS DOCTRINES THE PRECEPTS OF MEN."

## **2. Verses – 10-11 Jesus And The Multitude:**

“Attitudes are often more revealing than Actions”

Proverbs 28:26

## **3. Verses – 12-20 Jesus And The Disciples:**

Offended - “to cause one to stumble, to cause a person to begin to distrust and desert one whom he ought to trust and obey”

Matthew 15:13

Matthew 13:27-30 Tares from Satan will be burned.

Matthew 15:14-18

Acts 0

Matthew 12:34

The Key Verse in the Sermon On The Mount: Matthew 5:20

Matthew 15:19

Jeremiah 17:9

Isaiah 5:20

### **Application:**

1. The great danger of attaching great importance to the mere outward things in religion:
2. The great danger of adding anything to the Word of God:
3. God desires the true worship of the heart, not mere rituals:
4. The heart of man which is so incurably religious, is also incurably evil, apart from the grace of God:
5. Outward observances have value only as an expression of the inner spirit: