

# That Which Defiles

## Mark 7:1-23

### Into the Lesson:

As has been pointed out in past sermons, "Son of Man" was Jesus' favorite way to refer to himself. Take some time to look up some of the other names attributed to Him and jot them down as you read:

Isaiah 7:14-  
Isaiah 9:6-  
Luke 2:11-  
John 1:29-  
John 8:12-  
Philippians 2:9-  
Hebrews 4:14-15-  
Revelations 22:16-

Why not spend some time using the above names, and any others of your favorites and offer them as a prayer to Him.

### Into the Word:

After reading Mark 7:1-23, come up with another name that Jesus could be called after confronting the Pharisees:

Jesus the \_\_\_\_\_

What would have been some of the "trigger words" that would have caused gnashing of teeth and grumbling among the Pharisees?

From Sam's sermon, commentaries and Bible margin notes, what do we know about these traditions?

Ceremonial hand washing (how would it fit with covid era protocols?)-  
Corban provision-

*Is this Sam's way of saying, there will be no Omaha Steaks?*

What do you imagine the Disciples response would have been as they were busy slugging down a couple of pizzas (or appropriate 1<sup>st</sup> century fare)?

As you read Hosea 6:1-11 mark the verses that seem to be a mirror for Jesus' words.

### Into Life:

Respond to Sam's question, "What traditions have we made under the guise of "the Law of the Lord?"

What role does study and knowledge of the Word provide us with a guide to avoid the "traditions of man"?

Is there a time when we need to confront traditions and other false notions people may have about the Gospel?

How do we "confront" without "getting in someone's face"?

What may be some of the "trigger words" that will cause others to gnash their teeth when we try to reach out to them?

Responding to the Sproul quote, "Every time we add to the law of God it is inevitably a subtraction" what impact will it have on:

Our fellowship-  
Bible study-  
Prayer time-  
Outreach-

Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it. - Proverbs 4:23