

## Mark 7

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**7** Then came together unto him the Pharisees, and certain of the scribes, which came from Jerusalem. (These are the top men of the Sanhedrin; VIPs from downtown. Jesus was taking people away from their church membership. HE is impacting their profits from tithes)

<sup>2</sup>And when they saw some of his disciples eat bread with defiled, that is to say, with unwashen, hands, they found fault. (unwashen-unwashed by the traditions of the "elders", not of God. They had devised some ceremonial sprinkling of water round about. It was a tradition of the priests; and not taken from God's Word)

<sup>3</sup>For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, except they wash their hands oft, eat not, holding the tradition of the elders. (Don't let the leaven <of the previous chapter> or false doctrine slip into the teaching of God's Word) (This washing is one of the traditions of men)

<sup>4</sup>And when they come from the market, except they wash, they eat not. And many other things there be, which they have received to hold, as the washing of cups, and pots, brasen vessels, and of tables.

<sup>5</sup>Then the Pharisees and scribes asked him, Why walk not thy disciples according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashen hands? (These are ceremonial traditions, NOT of God. This was a ritualistic "washing" per the elders – sprinkling to the right and to the left, etc...)

<sup>6</sup>He answered and said unto them, Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me. **Isaiah-29:13** (They talk religion, but don't teach or do the true Word of God)

<sup>7</sup>Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. (Like most religions today – full of men's traditions)

<sup>8</sup>For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do. (They used these traditions of the elders to replace God's Commandments)

<sup>9</sup>And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition.

<sup>10</sup>For Moses said, Honour thy father and thy mother; and, Whoso curseth father or mother, let him die the death: **Exodus-20:12 & 21:17**

<sup>11</sup>But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother, It is Corban, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; he shall be free. **(They pushed Corban – financial gifts to the church, instead of supporting your parents. You can't buy tickets to Heaven)**

**(Look at preachers today, begging for money from people who can't afford to give money. They intimidate them into a guilt trip to get their money. This is an insult to God to tell people that they can buy a blessing with a donation to some church)**

<sup>12</sup>And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother; **(They don't care at all about the people that they are ripping off)**

<sup>13</sup>Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye. **(Organized religion was then, and is today, all about money; not about God's Word. This sets up the people for total deceit by Satan, because they are never taught the truth in God's Word)**

<sup>14</sup>And when he had called all the people unto him, he said unto them, Hearken unto me every one of you, and understand:

<sup>15</sup>There is nothing from without a man, that entering into him can defile him: but the things which come out of him, those are they that defile the man. **(What defiles a man is what comes out of him – his words and his actions. You can wash all you want, but that won't stop you from defiling yourself)**

<sup>16</sup>If any man have ears to hear, let him hear. **(Jesus made no apologies to anyone for teaching God's Word; truthfully and unchanged. HE taught boldly to all that wanted to hear Him and learn; regardless of the fact that the priests were planning to kill Him for it)**

<sup>17</sup>And when he was entered into the house from the people, his disciples asked him concerning the parable.

<sup>18</sup>And he saith unto them, Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into the

man, it cannot defile him; (They can't force anything on you that can defile you – don't let their false doctrine defile you)

<sup>19</sup> Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats? (Jesus is speaking of doctrine, not food. Food cannot defile you like doctrine can)

<sup>20</sup> And he said, That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man. (What he says, what he does – that can defile him)

<sup>21</sup> For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders,

<sup>22</sup> Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness:

<sup>23</sup> All these evil things come from within, and defile the man. (If you allow it to happen; not if you obey the Ten Commandments)

<sup>24</sup> And from thence he arose, and went into the borders of Tyre and Sidon, and entered into an house, and would have no man know it: but he could not be hid. (He was too popular with the people) (Tyre and Sidon- a stronghold of the Kenites) (Jesus travelled 50 miles on foot to get there)

<sup>25</sup> For a certain woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of him, and came and fell at his feet: (She had faith in Jesus)

<sup>26</sup> The woman was a Greek, a Syrophenician by nation; and she besought him that he would cast forth the devil out of her daughter. (Greek = Hellenist - Syrophenician = a Phoenician who lived in Syria. She was a gentile)

<sup>27</sup> But Jesus said unto her, Let the children first be filled: for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it unto the dogs. (Jesus was sent to Israel, first. After the crucifixion, then salvation would then be open to the gentiles. Messiah was prophesied to Israel. Following the New Covenant, everyone who would believe and follow Christ would be open to salvation)

<sup>28</sup> And she answered and said unto him, Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs. (She has no vanity or ego problems; she is humble and asking for her daughter, not for herself)

<sup>29</sup> And he said unto her, For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy daughter. (Her faith in Jesus saved her daughter. Jesus didn't have to go there. HE saved her with a word)

<sup>30</sup> And when she was come to her house, she found the devil gone out, and her daughter laid upon the bed. (She was OK)

<sup>31</sup> And again, departing from the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, he came unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis. (Another 50 mile walk; Jesus travelled 100 miles to save one person)

Ezekiel-28:2, 18-19 (Tyre was a stronghold of the Devil and of the Kenites. Jesus demonstrated to us, that He has power over everything. Even the strongholds of Satan cannot defeat God)

<sup>32</sup> And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they beseech him to put his hand upon him.

<sup>33</sup> And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue;

<sup>34</sup> And looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him, Ephphatha, that is, Be opened. (Ephphatha- an Aramaic word) (Symbolic for being able to hear the Word of God, with understanding; opening his spiritual ears)

<sup>35</sup> And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain. (With hearts to hear, one can speak the true Word of God to help others)

<sup>36</sup> And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published it; (Jesus excited the people so much with these miracles that they couldn't help but spread the word)

<sup>37</sup> And were beyond measure astonished, saying, He hath done all things well: he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak. (This would cause more trouble with the fake priests in the synagogues. They were losing membership and tithe money. Jesus wasn't concerned with that. HE came to save all that will believe, including any of the Pharisees or Sadducees that might change their mind and become Christians. They didn't)