



Jesus sternly rebuked both the scribes and Pharisees in this passage. Contrary to what they thought, Jesus does not welcome obedience that is divorced from the heart. Wedded to the teaching of elders, the Pharisees had long deviated from the beautiful and satisfying commands of God and, even though externally compliant, were not pleasing to the Lord.

Obedience as Worship

Mark 7:1-8

Big Idea: God is to be worshipped in the manner _____ by Him!

I. The Characters

1. The Pharisees were very serious about _____ and _____.
2. The scribes were concerned with _____ matters.

II. The Question

1. The question of the scribes and Pharisees revealed their _____ of the Law.

III. The Answer

1. Jesus called them hypocrites which is someone who _____ to be what they are not.
 - a. They were focusing on the external _____ and neglecting the _____.
2. No amount of external cleanness or purity _____ will please God.
3. True worship is a life lived in _____ heartfelt _____ to God!