

A Deeper Problem

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Mark 7:1-23

Intro

Our Deep Problem – Sin and Heart

The Debate – Traditions

Some problems with traditions – and our Heart

Words and Actions can **Reveal** Heart

Words and Actions can **Conceal** Heart

1. Doable List

Traditions tend to be simple and **Doable**.

Think we are doing what we should; better than we are

2. Substitute List

Traditions can Replace God's commands

We can think we are following God ...

And Not be on track with His will at all

And use the Tradition to excuse our behaviour

3. Arbitrary List

Traditions often about things that don't ultimately **Matter**

When we (or others) **Realize** ... conclude **nothing** really matters

Jesus List (21-22)

What do these have in common?

Source of human hurt! This matters! This is inside us ...

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Bad News – We have a Deep Heart Problem

There is ultimately Good News

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Requires

A Deeper Solution