

Q. What did Jesus say defiles a man?

**Matthew 15:10-20**

10 And he called the multitude, and said unto them, **Hear, and understand:**

11 **Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man.**

12 Then came his disciples, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the Pharisees were offended, after they heard this saying?

13 But he answered and said, **Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.**

14 **Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.**

15 Then answered Peter and said unto him, Declare unto us this parable.

16 And Jesus said, **Are ye also yet without understanding?**

17 **Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught?**

18 **But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man.**

19 **For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:**

20 **These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.**

**Mark 7:14-23**

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

15 **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.**

16 **If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.**

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

18 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;**

19 **Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?**

20 And he said, **That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man.**

21 **For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders,**

22 Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye,  
blasphemy, pride, foolishness:

23 All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.

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