

Jesus Changes Everything  
Jesus Corrects  
Mark 7:1-16

In our culture's search for spirituality, everything has become spiritual. We have sought to define God apart from Jesus and substituted religious ritual for moral development and substituted moral development for the gospel. Even in the church we have convinced ourselves that God is more concerned with an outward display of religious activity than he is with a change of heart that would ultimately reveal His nature and character.

1. Legalism elevates \_\_\_\_\_ above \_\_\_\_\_
  - A. It can lead to false \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. It can lead to false \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. It can lead to false \_\_\_\_\_
2. Legalism becomes \_\_\_\_\_ when \_\_\_\_\_
  - A. It is rooted in \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. It is spiritual \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. It leads to \_\_\_\_\_
3. Legalism confuses \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_
  - A. Defilement is \_\_\_\_\_ on the inside
  - B. Defilement is \_\_\_\_\_ on the outside
  - C. Both are changed by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

The Old Testament reminds us that the Lord does not see as man sees. Man looks at outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart (1 Samuel 16:7). When we focus on the outward appearances, we are focusing on what we can do. When our hearts are right with God, we will know it because our focus will be on what Christ has done.