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“FROM DEFILED to DELIVERED”
Honoring God from the Heart
MARK 7:1-23

- *Dirty Windows* MATTHEW 6:22, 23
 - *“Defiled” according to the Pharisees* vss. 1-5
 - *“Defiled” according to Jesus* vss. 14-23
- Jesus leaves us hanging...*

To Honor God from the Heart...

1. **AGREE** the **HEART** is _____ vss. 6, 20-23; JEREMIAH 17:9; 1 PETER 2:11

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2. **LIVE** by **GOD’S** _____ vss. 7-9

- *P* _____
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3. **DEPEND** on **JESUS’** _____ ROMANS 7:19, 24, 25;

- *S* _____ GALATIANS 2:20
- *S* _____ 1 PETER 3:15
- *S* _____ JAMES 4:7
- *S* _____ EPHESIANS 6:7

- **PHILIPPIANS 1:6**

LIFE GROUP STUDY NOTES
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GETTING STARTED *“In your opinion...”*

1. Sunday’s sermon focused on Jesus confronting the Pharisees about honoring their traditions above God’s commands, and how we are all defiled because of what comes from our heart. Was there anything helpful in this message?
2. Are human beings basically good or bad? Explain.
3. Why is it important for Jesus to address the issue of evil thoughts? Are thoughts harmless? What can thoughts produce?
4. After exposing mankind’s unclean heart problem, why do you think Jesus provided no solution?

GOING DEEPER *“According to the Bible...”*

Answer the following questions from what the Bible says in the suggested reading

- **Read Mark 7:20-22. What evil thoughts might the Pharisees have been guilty of when they criticized Jesus and the disciples? Is Jesus missing any evil thoughts in this list?**
- **Read 2 Corinthians 10:5. What are we commanded to do with every thought that is anti-God? What does it mean to make a thought obedient to Christ?**
- **Read 1 Peter 2:11. In addition to thoughts, what is the problem with harboring evil desires? How do you think they war against our soul?**
- **Read Philippians 4:8. In contrast to evil thoughts, what thoughts does Paul instruct us to pursue?**
- **Read Galatians 2:20 and 2 Corinthians 5:17. What new life is given to those who follow Jesus? Why is a new life necessary?**
- **Read the story of Eli in 1 Samuel 2:27-36. What is the benefit of honoring God (vs. 30)? What happens to those who despise Him? How did this impact Eli?**

LIVING OUT

- **Are you willing to honor God by allowing Him to clean up your heart?**