

55. What Makes a Person Unclean? (What Defiles a Man?)

Matthew 15:10-20 CEV

Jesus called the crowd together and said, "Pay attention and try to understand what I mean. The food that you put into your mouth doesn't make you unclean and unfit to worship God. The bad words that come out of your mouth are what make you unclean."

Then his disciples came over to him and asked, "Do you know that you insulted the Pharisees by what you said?"

Jesus answered, "Every plant that my Father in heaven did not plant will be pulled up by the roots. Stay away from those Pharisees! They are like blind people leading other blind people, and all of them will fall into a ditch."

Peter replied, "What did you mean when you talked about the things that make people unclean?"

Jesus then said:

Don't any of you know what I am talking about by now? Don't you know that the food you put into your mouth goes into your stomach and then out of your body? But the words that come out of your mouth come from your heart. And they are what make you unfit to worship God. Out of your heart come evil thoughts, murder, unfaithfulness in marriage, vulgar deeds, stealing, telling lies, and insulting others. These are what make you unclean. Eating without washing your hands will not make you unfit to worship God.



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ASKED	HANDS	ROOTS
ATTENTION	INSULTED	STOMACH
BAD	LEADING	THOUGHTS
BLIND	LIES	TRY
BODY	MEAN	UNCLEAN
DEEDS	MOUTH	UNFAITHFULNESS
DITCH	MURDER	UNFIT
EVIL	PAY	VULGAR
FALL	PLANT	WASHING
FOOD	PULLED	WORSHIP