

Bring It On
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Matthew 15:1-39
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Questions

I. CONTROVERSY DISCUSSED (v1-20)

*We need a constant Holy Spirit heart check to make sure our heart remains pure in every motive.

II. CONFIDENCE DEMONSTRATED (v21-28)

**True faith is demonstrated in recognizing, trusting and resting in the work and power of our heavenly Father.

III. COMPASSION DISPLAYED (v29-39)

**The Lord Jesus has a deep desire to show mercy and compassion at the most unexpected times.

1. Talk about traditions you have established. Do your traditions clash with the commandments of God?

Am I doing something now that nullifies the commands of God?

2. What are "heart" issues that you battle? How are you dealing with them? *cp Proverbs 4:23; 3:5-6*

What are some helpful steps we can take when "defilement" invades our heart/life? *Ephesians 4:22-23; Colossians 3:1-10*

3. What is hypocrisy? If willing, share with your group things that are/may be hypocrisy in your life.

4. What does our worship look like: "lip service" or "heart worship"? What is "vain worship"?

Discuss what we can do to keep our worship fresh, exciting, Christ centered and God honoring.

5. What intrigues you about the Canaanite woman? What do you see in her recognition of Christ by her words to Him?

6. What does our faith look like: weak areas, strong areas? *cp Mark 6:3-6; Luke 7:1-10*

7. How do the "miraculous" works of Jesus Christ encourage you and your faith? What do you need Jesus to do in your life right now?