

Galilean Districts Ministry—Jesus Avoids Judea (Spring/Summer 32)

John 7:1

1 And after these *things* Jesus was going about in Galilee. For he did not want to go about in Judea, because the Jews were seeking to kill him.

Galilean Districts Ministry—The Tradition of the Elders (Spring/Summer 32)

Matthew 15:1–20

Mark 7:1–23

15:1 Then Pharisees and scribes came to Jesus from Jerusalem,

saying,

2 “Why do your disciples break the tradition of the elders? For they do not wash their hands when they eat a meal.”

3 So he answered *and* said to them, “Why do you also break the commandment of God because of your tradition?

4 For God said, ‘Honor your father and your mother,’ [Exod 20:12] and ‘The one who speaks evil of father or mother must certainly die.’ [Exod 21:17]

5 But you say, ‘Whoever says to his father or his mother, “Whatever benefit you would have received from me is a gift to God,”

6 need not honor his father,’

and you make void the word of God for the sake of your tradition.

7 Hypocrites! Isaiah correctly prophesied about you saying,

8 ‘This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far, far away from me,

9 and they worship me in vain, teaching *as* doctrines the commandments of men.’” [Isa 29:13]

10 And summoning the crowd, he said to them, “Hear and understand:

11 It is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but what comes out of the mouth—this defiles a person.”

12 Then the disciples came *and* said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees were offended *when they* heard this saying?”

13 And he answered *and* said, “Every plant that my heavenly Father did not plant will be uprooted.

14 Let them! They are blind guides of the blind. And if the blind

1 And the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered to him.

2 And they saw that some of his disciples were eating their bread with unclean—that is, unwashed—hands.

3 (For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands ritually, *thus* holding fast to the traditions of the elders.

4 And *when they come* from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other *traditions* which they have received *and* hold fast to—for example, the washing of cups and pitchers and bronze kettles and dining couches.)

5 And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat their bread with unclean hands?”

9 And he said to them, “You splendidly ignore the commandment of God so that you can keep your tradition.

10 For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother,’ and, ‘The one who speaks evil of father or mother must certainly die.’

11 But you say, ‘If a man says to his father or to his mother, “Whatever benefit you would have received from me is corban” (that is, a gift to God),

12 you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or his mother,

13 *thus* making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down, and you do many similar *things* such as this.”

6 So he said to them,

“Isaiah prophesied correctly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

‘This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far, far away from me.

7 And they worship me in vain, teaching *as* doctrines the commandments of men.’

8 Abandoning the commandment of God, you hold fast to the tradition of men.”

14 And summoning the crowd again, he said to them, “Listen to me, *all of you*, and understand:

15 There is nothing outside of a person that is able to defile him *by* going into him. But the things that go out of a person are the things that defile a person.”

16 [If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear.]

17 And when he entered into the house away from the crowd,

<p>guide the blind, both will fall into a pit.” 15 But Peter answered <i>and</i> said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” 16 But he said, “Are you also still without understanding? 17 Do you not understand that everything that enters into the mouth</p> <p>goes into the stomach and is evacuated into the latrine?</p> <p>18 But the things that come out of the mouth come from the heart, and these defile the person. 19 For from the heart come evil plans, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, abusive speech. 20 These are the things that defile a person. But eating with unwashed hands does not defile a person!”</p>	<p>his disciples asked him about the parable. 18 And he said to them, “So are you also without understanding? Do you not understand that everything <i>that is</i> outside that goes into a person <i>is</i> not able to defile him? 19 For it does not enter into his heart but into his stomach, and goes out into the latrine”— <i>thus</i> declaring all foods clean. 20 And he said, “What comes out of a person, that defiles a person. 21 For from within, from the heart of people, come evil plans, sexual immoralities, thefts, murders, 22 adulteries, <i>acts of greed</i>, malicious <i>deeds</i>, deceit, licentiousness, envy, abusive speech, pride, foolishness. 23 All these evil <i>things</i> come from within and defile a person.”</p>
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Galilean Districts Ministry—A Gentile Mother’s Faith (Spring/Summer 32)

Matthew 15:21–28	Mark 7:24–30
<p>21 And departing from there, Jesus went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon.</p> <p>22 And behold, a Canaanite woman from that district came <i>and</i> cried out, saying, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter <i>is</i> severely possessed by a demon!”</p> <p>23 But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came up <i>and</i> asked him, saying, “Send her away, because she is crying out after us!” 24 But he answered <i>and</i> said, “I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” 25 But she came <i>and</i> knelt down before him, saying, “Lord, help me!” 26 And he answered <i>and</i> said, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and throw <i>it</i> to the dogs!” 27 So she said, “Yes, Lord, for even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master’s table.” 28 Then Jesus answered <i>and</i> said to her, “O woman, your faith <i>is</i> great! Let it be done for you as you want.” And her daughter was healed from that hour.</p>	<p>24 And from there he set out <i>and</i> went to the region of Tyre. And <i>when he</i> entered into a house, he wanted no one to know, and <i>yet</i> he was not able to escape notice. 25 But immediately a woman whose young daughter was possessed by an unclean spirit, <i>when she</i> heard about him, came <i>and</i> fell down at his feet,</p> <p>26 Now the woman was a Greek—a Syrophenician by nationality—and she was asking him that he would expel the demon from her daughter.</p> <p>27 And he said to her, “Let the children be satisfied first, for it is not right to take the children’s bread and throw <i>it</i> to the dogs!” 28 But she answered and said to him, “Lord, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” 29 And he said to her, “Because of this statement, go! The demon has gone out of your daughter.”</p> <p>30 And <i>when she</i> went to her home, she found the child lying on the bed and the demon gone.</p>

Galilean Districts Ministry—Jesus in Decapolis (Spring/Summer 32)

Matthew 15:29–38

Mark 7:31–8:9

Jesus Heals Many

29 And departing from there,
Jesus went along the Sea of Galilee,

and he went up on the mountain *and* was sitting there.

30 And large crowds came to him, having with them *the* mute, blind, lame, crippled, and many others, and they put them down at his feet, and he healed them.

31 So then the crowd was astonished *when they* saw the mute speaking, the crippled healthy, and the lame walking, and the blind seeing, and they praised the God of Israel.

Jesus Feeds 4,000

32 And Jesus summoned his disciples *and* said,
“I have compassion on the crowd, because they have remained with me three days already and do not have anything to eat, and I do not want to send them away hungry lest they give out on the way.”

33 And the disciples said to him, “Where in *this* desolate place can we get so much bread that such a great crowd could be satisfied?”

34 And Jesus said to them, “How many loaves do you have?”
So they said, “Seven, and a few little fish.”

35 And commanding the crowd to recline for a meal on the ground,

36 he took the seven loaves and the fish and *after he* had given thanks, he broke *them* and began giving *them* to the disciples,

and the disciples *gave them* to the crowds.

37 And they all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up what was left over of the broken pieces, seven baskets full.

38 Now those who ate were four thousand men,
in addition to women and children.

7:31 And again he went away from the region of Tyre *and* came through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, within the region of the Decapolis.

32 And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had difficulty speaking, and they were imploring him that he would place his hand on him.

33 And he took him away from the crowd by himself *and* put his fingers into his ears, and *after* spitting, he touched his tongue.

34 And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha!” (that is, “Be opened!”).

35 And his ears were opened and his difficulty in speaking was removed and he began to speak normally.

36 And he ordered them that they should say nothing, but as much as he ordered them *not to*, they proclaimed *it* even more instead.

37 And they were amazed beyond all measure, saying, “He has done all *things* well! He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak!”

8:1 In those days there was again a large crowd, and they did not have anything they could eat.

Summoning the disciples, he said to them,

2 “I have compassion on the crowd, because they have remained with me three days already and do not have anything to eat.

3 And if I send them away hungry to their homes they will give out on the way, and some of them have come from far away.”

4 And his disciples answered him, “Where is anyone able to feed these *people* with bread here in the desert?”

5 And he asked them, “How many loaves do you have?”
So they said, “Seven.”

6 And he commanded the crowd to recline for a meal on the ground,

and taking the seven loaves, *after he* had given thanks he broke *them* and began giving *them* to his disciples so that they could set *them* before *them*.

And they set *them* before the crowd.

7 And they had a few small fish, and *after* giving thanks for them, he said to set these *before them* also.

8 And they ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the broken pieces that were left, seven baskets *full*.

9 Now there were about four thousand.

And he sent them away.