



It Should Be Joyful

Mark 7:1-23



I. Stop doing life on your terms. (1-5)

A. Self-focused living hates God.

B. Stop saying you are a good person.

C. Jesus did not come to save good people.

II. A relationship with God is not a job. (6-13)

- A. Hypocrites look the part, without the heart.
- B. Selfishness kills relationship.
- C. Scripture, not tradition is the source of religious authority.

III. I need salvation that comes from outside myself. (14-23)

- A. Sin comes from within, from disobedience.
(cf. Jer. 17:9-10)
- B. Ceremonial laws were not for righteousness, but to teach about sin. (cf. Gal. 3:24)
- C. We each need God to cleanse us of an evil heart.

Jesus removes sin's weary load
so we can walk by faith,
not works.

MAIN IDEA