

A Year-Long Journey with Jesus

Religions Make Traditions

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What traditions did the Jewish leaders expect Jesus to follow?
- 2. What was Jesus' main argument against following these traditions?
- 3. What are some modern traditions/regulations that Christians/churches create to help them keep God's commandments?
- 4. Are these traditions useful? Do they actually work?
- 5. In Mark 7:6-7, Jesus quotes Isaiah. Based on that quote, what would be the purpose of the doctrines in the Bible?

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- 6. Have you ever done something good in a half-hearted way? Why doesn't this please God?
- 7. How are you tempted to be hypocritical in your faith?
- 8. How would you defend Jesus' right to declare all foods clean? What verses might you use (even from Mark) to support this?
- 9. How is your heart now? What is coming out of it that concerns you? What encourages you?

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