



*Kia inu kau ahau,
If I could just drink*
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Gospel for kidz

A Religious Education Resource for Parishes



**Today we are going to be talking about
Jesus talked about his mission.
Let's, listen and hear the story Jesus tells his followers.**

A reading from the gospel according to John.....adapted for children

**One day the Pharisees noticed that Jesus and his disciples
had not washed properly before eating.
They asked Jesus,**

**“Why do you ignore the Jewish custom and eat
foods with unclean hands?”**

**Jesus answered,
“You have made the laws of men much more important
than the laws of God. You take great care to wash
and keep your bodies clean on the outside. But you have
forgotten that what is important is what lies inside your hearts.
Ordinary dirt cannot make our hearts and lives
unclean!**

Only wicked words, thoughts and actions can do this.

**It is more important to God for you to have a good heart
than clean hands!”**

Let's sit quietly now and think of God's story.

Unpacking the Gospel

· *which ritual / rule wasn't being followed ?*

· *who complained to Jesus about it?*

It was very important to the Jewish people to keep their bodies clean and free from stain, because they thought this brought them closer to God.

· *how did Jesus respond to this complaint?*

he told them that they worried too much about superficial things

· *have you ever heard the saying, "you can't judge a book by its cover"?*

the book may be old, grubby and torn on the outside, but inside is this wonderful story waiting to be heard.

Maybe the best you have ever read!

Message

The outward appearance of people can be just as misleading as a book.

We have to look into their hearts to find out who and what they are truly like. Other people can tell what we are like too, by our words and actions.

Let us try to make sure that only good, (clean) things come from our hearts.

· *what will you do this week to follow Jesus' teachings?*



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Based on Mark 7:1-7; 14-15; 21-23 (NIV)



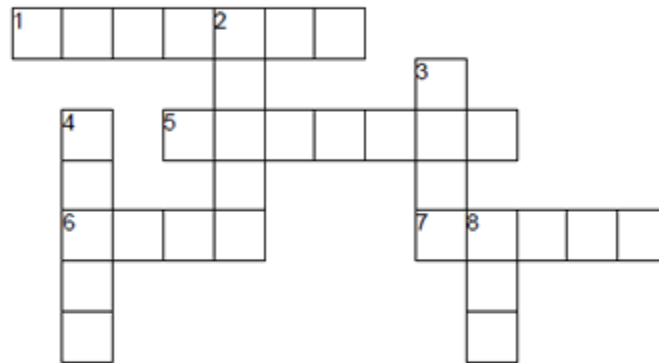
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LAW	WORSHIP	UNCLEAN	FOOD	TEACHERS
HANDS	HEARTS	PHARISEES	HYPOCRITES	DISCIPLES
RULES	EATING	LIPS	HONOR	WASH

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ACROSS

1. To express love and adoration toward God
5. Something that is dirty or soiled
6. The two edges of flesh around the mouth
7. The center of your emotion, I love you with all my _____.

DOWN

2. The body part at the end of the arms that includes the fingers
3. To make something clean using soap and water
4. The accepted way that things should be done
8. To take food into the mouth, chew it, and swallow

LIPS	EAT	WASH	UNCLEAN
HEART	WORSHIP	HANDS	RULES

