

December 15, 2024

Scandalous Christmas: Angry Jesus (Luke 11:37-46)

Warmup: In your opinion what rule is made to be broken?

READ Luke 11:37-46

- As a dinner guest what ritual did Jesus ignore?
- What analogy did Jesus use to describe the Pharisees? Once clean the cup can hold _____. Read different translations of verses 40 and 41 and determine what Jesus wants the cup to hold. _____
- What is God saying to you in these verses?

REFLECT

- Why doesn't following the rules of the Mosaic Covenant equate to "loving God?" (11:42)
- When do I focus more on rules instead of God's heart for loving people?
- According to Jesus' leadership and this passage, what does Jesus want us to focus upon?

RESPOND

- Recall times in your life when you needed compassion and a kind word, instead of a reminder of "the rules." How would the outcome have been different?
- In what situations is the Holy Spirit asking you exchange "rule keeping" for grace?
- Who is Jesus asking you to serve this week?

"To transform religious and irreligious people into Fully Devoted Followers of Christ."