

You Cannot Save Yourself

¹⁰ After Jesus called the crowd to Him, He said to them, "Hear and understand. ¹¹ It is not what enters into the mouth that defiles the man, but what proceeds out of the mouth, this defiles the man." ¹² Then the disciples came and said to Him, "Do You know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this statement?"

¹³ But He answered and said, " Every plant which My heavenly Father did not plant shall be uprooted. ¹⁴ Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if a blind man guides a blind man, both will fall into a pit." Matt 15:10-14

1. External works **CANNOT CHANGE** the heart. (vs. 11)
 - a. The **PHYSICAL** cannot transform the **SPIRITUAL**.
2. People committed to **WORKS** and **LIES** are offended by grace and truth. (vs. 12)
 - a. **BIBLICAL LOVE** does not mean that we will not offend others.
3. **NO ONE** can get to God by their own efforts. (vs. 13)
 - a. If you are a Christian, **GOD BROUGHT** you to faith in Christ.
 - b. **ELECTION** is necessary because:
 - * It is **IMPOSSIBLE** for anyone to respond to God. (Eph. 2:1-9)
 - * **NO ONE** seeks God. (Rom. 3:9-12; 23-24)
4. Jesus confronts them because **ETERNITY** hangs in the balance. (vs. 14)
 - a. Believing lies greatly **AFFECTS** others.