

MEGA SYSTEMS &/ ISSUES MARK 7:1-13

5 MEGA SYSTEMS CONCERNING GRACE, FAITH, & WORKS				
Liber- alism	Liberalism Lite	Biblical Christianity	Legalism Lite	Legal- ism
←-----	<u>If</u> you love me...<u>then</u> really, really, really love me! / say you love me!	<u>1 John 4:19</u> We love him, because he first loved us. <u>John 14:15</u> If ye love me, keep my commandments. <u>1 John 5:3</u> For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous. <u>Romans 8:4</u> That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.	<u>If</u> you keep my commandments enough <u>then</u> I will love you more!	-----→
	Can't get this group to obey.		Can't get this group to obey Scripture! No problem with tradition.	
	No problem minimizing / eliminating Scripture		No problem adding to Scripture	
	Name calling – you are legalists -----→ Constant seduction ←-----	Attacked from b sides! ←-----→	Name calling – you are liberals! ←----- Constant seduction -----→	

Deuteronomy 4:2 Ye shall **not** add unto the word which I command you, **neither** shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

Deuteronomy 12:32 **What thing** soever I command you, observe to do it: **thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it.**

Deuteronomy 17:20 That his heart be not lifted up above his brethren, **and that he turn not aside from the commandment, to the right hand, or to the left:** to the end that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel.

Joshua 1:7 Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: **turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.**

Legalism Lite:

I. Legalism Lite is known for its **constant fault - finding**

Mark 7:2 And when they saw some of his disciples eat bread with defiled, that is to say, with unwashen, hands, **they found fault.**

Mark 7:5 Then the Pharisees and scribes asked him, **Why** walk not thy disciples according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashen hands?

What do we find?

- **Constant fault-finding of others**
- **Fault-finding of those closest to them!**

This means other Fundamentalists become the enemy.

Real / true liberals are totally unknown.

- **Never find fault with themselves**

1 Corinthians 11:28 But let a man **examine** himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. **1 Corinthians 11:31** For **if** we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged.

2 Corinthians 13:5 **Examine** yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; **prove** your own selves. **Know** ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

Remember they can't obey Scripture.

- **Absolutely** never find fault / question "Dr. So-and-So"
- **Never** question their assumptions / mega system

1 Thessalonians 5:21-22

Prove (δοκιμάζετε) all things;

hold fast (κατέχετε) that which is good.

Abstain from (ἀπέχεσθε) all appearance of evil.

1 John 4:1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but **try** (δοκιμάζετε) the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

II. Legalism Lite is known for its **ever-growing, extra-Biblical** lists

Mark 7:3 For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, except they wash their hands oft, eat not, holding the tradition of the elders. **Mark 7:4** And when they come from the market, except they wash, they eat not. **And many other things there be**, which they have received to hold, as the washing of cups, and pots, brasen vessels, and of tables. **Mark 7:8** For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: **and many other such like things ye do.** **Mark 7:13** Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: **and many such like things do ye.**

III. Legalism Lite is known for its **non-Biblical** (anti-Biblical?) foundation

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4 bases / sources / foundations of authority:

1. Scripture

2. Reason

3. Experience / Emotions

4. Traditions (of the elders)

Romans 4:3 For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.

IV. Legalism Lite is known for its **flippant** disobedience of &/ disregard for Scripture!

Mark 7:6 He answered and said unto them, Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, **This people honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.** **Mark 7:7** Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. **Mark 7:8** For **laying aside the commandment of God**, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do. **Mark 7:9** And he said unto them, **Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that** ye may keep your own tradition. **Mark 7:10** **For Moses said**, Honour thy father and thy mother; and, Whoso curseth father or mother, let him die the death: **Mark 7:11** **But ye say**, If a man shall say to his father or mother, It is Corban, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; he shall be free. **Mark 7:12** And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother; **Mark 7:13** **Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition**, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

THE END OF LEGALISM

OR

WELCOME TO HEART-RELIGION! MK. 7:14-23

There are 2 things I know:

1. Diagnosis, treatment, and prognosis are always

2. If wrong on the diagnosis, then wrong on the _____ and

1. Legalists don't get it – **make sure you**

Mark 7:14 And when he had called all the people unto him, he said unto them, **Hearken unto me every one of you, and understand: Mark 7:15** There is **nothing** from without a man, that entering into him can defile him: but the things which come out of him, those are they that defile the man. Mark 7:16 **If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.** Mark 7:17 And when he was entered into the house from the people, his disciples asked him concerning the parable. Mark 7:18 And he saith unto them, **Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive....**

Thoughts:

- This seems s
- This is rather d
- They didn't
- They probably were only thinking about...!
- Not getting it **only** has a few

John 10:27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

John 8:37 I know that ye are Abraham's seed; but ye seek to kill me, because my word hath no place in you. John 8:38 I speak that which I have seen with my Father: and ye do that which ye have seen with your father. John 8:39 They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them, If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham. John 8:40 But now ye seek to kill me, a man that hath told you the truth, which I have heard of God: this did not Abraham. John 8:41 Ye do the deeds of your father. Then said they to him, We be not born of fornication; we have one Father, even God. John 8:42 Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, ye would love me: for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me. John 8:43 **Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word.**

John 8:47 He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God.

1 Timothy 4:15 Meditate (μελέτα) upon these things; give thyself wholly (ἐν τούτοις ἴσθι) to them; that thy profiting may appear to all.

2 Timothy 2:7 Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things.

2. Legalists **also** don't get over it – **make sure you**

Mark 7:18 And he saith unto them, Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into the man, it **cannot** defile him; Mark 7:19 **Because it entereth not into his heart (εἰς τὴν καρδίαν), but into the belly (ἀλλ' εἰς τὴν κοιλίαν), and goeth out into the draught (τὸν ἀφεδρῶνα), purging all meats (καθαρίζον πάντα τὰ βρώματα)?** Mark 7:20 And he said, That which cometh **out of** the man, that defileth the man.

Legalists can't **seem** to get over what they have learned from somewhere:

- My faith is all my

- My faith is st _____ / r

- My faith is a ch _____ l

At church

At prayer meeting

AWANA worker	Serve
Choir	Right language
Don't smoke	Don't drink
Don't dance	Don't chew!!!

The moment you feel guilty – what do you do? You do a

Example: Problems with children / grandchildren / marriage / mind / lusts / passions....:

Don't know

Can't get to the

Keep going

KJV Mark 7:19 Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?
NKJV Mark 7:19 because it does not enter his heart but his stomach, and is eliminated, thus purifying all foods?"
ESV Mark 7:19 since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.)
NASB Mark 7:19 because it does not go into his heart, but into his stomach, and is eliminated?" (Thus He declared all foods clean.)
NIV Mark 7:19 For it doesn't go into his heart but into his stomach, and then out of his body." (In saying this, Jesus declared all foods "clean.")
ASV Mark 7:19 because it goeth not into his heart, but into his belly, and goeth out into the draught? This he said, making all meats clean.
NRSV Mark 7:19 since it enters, not the heart but the stomach, and goes out into the sewer?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.)

3. Legalists don't get after it – make sure you

Mark 7:20 And he said, That which cometh **out of** the man, that defileth the man. **Mark 7:21** For from **within, out of the heart of** men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, **Mark 7:22** Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: **Mark 7:23 All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.**

Bible Believing Christians always begin with the

Psalm 19:14 Let the words of my **mouth**, and the meditation of my **heart**, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

Proverbs 4:23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

Proverbs 23:19 Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way.

Psalm 119:11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

Psalm 139:23-24 Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Jeremiah 17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

Proverbs 6:20 My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother: **Proverbs 6:21** Bind them continually upon thine heart, and tie them about thy neck. **Proverbs 6:22** When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee; and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee.

So, when having difficulty with kids...what do you do?

- N
- Bl someone else
- Same
- More of
- Something

What does a Bible-believing Christian, who gets matters of the heart do?

Deuteronomy 6:4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD: **Deuteronomy 6:5** And **thou** shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine **heart**, and with all thy **soul**, and with all thy **might**. **Deuteronomy 6:6** And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine **heart**: **Deuteronomy 6:7** And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.