



## ***“Jesus’ View of the Bible”***

Mark 7:1-13 ♦ Pastor Jim Lennon  
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***Introduction*** –*We begin a new chapter today in the Gospel of Mark. The Scribes and Pharisees confront Jesus over the Jewish “purity laws,” and Jesus takes the opportunity to affirm the absolute authority of Scripture.*

### ***I. Adjust to the Bible’s Authority.***

- A. The authority of the Bible is a major issue.
- B. The Scribes and Pharisees are technically not citing the Scripture in their complaint, but “the tradition of the elders.”
- C. Note: Jesus is not against tradition.
- D. What was “the tradition of the elders?”
- E. Jesus is not against tradition. He is specifically addressing how the elders were viewing their traditions.
- F. Their “rules” can sometimes distract and contradict the Scriptures.  
Example 1: Ritual washings.

Example 2: “Corban”

G. Why Jesus is upset.

H. Jesus quotes Isaiah 29:13 and links how we view the Scripture with our worship of God.

### ***II. Jesus Has an Extremely High View of Scripture.***

- A. Jesus’ relationship to the Scripture in the Gospels is astounding!
  - 1. His thoughts –
  - 2. His actions –
  - 3. His heart -
- B. The authority of the Bible and the authority of Jesus stand together for followers of Jesus.

***Conclusion***