

# Matthew 15

15:1-9 – Confrontation with Pharisees and Scribes: their traditions are more important than people.

The concern of the religious leaders is not about the Law.

Jesus is quick to point out their misplaced priorities.

Their concern is more about rules rather than love.

Their problem is their hearts.

15:10-20 – The true problem with mankind: the heart.

“Heart” refers to a person’s inner core and values.

“Heart” is the true measure of a person’s inner self.

15:21-28 – Jesus’s ministry reaches to the Gentiles.

“Tyre and Sidon” are almost completely Gentile.

The issue here is not race: it is faith.

15:29-39 – Continued ministry to *the Gentiles*.

The Gentiles also get healed and *fed*.

This represents Jesus's ministry to *the rest of the world*.