

# Foster City Campus – April 29, 2018



Clean Hands or Clean Heart?

Matthew 15: 1-20 - Dan Reid

1. If you had just seen Jesus feed 5000, walk on water, and heal all the sick in a town and you could ask Jesus just one question, what would it be?
2. Read verses 1-9. What was it about the Pharisee's question that troubled Jesus? Why is an undivided heart so important to Jesus? Why is an undivided heart a challenge to us? How does the work of Christ in the cross aspire us to have undivided hearts?
3. Read verses 10-20. Why were the pharisees offended by Jesus' words? How did Jesus associate with the "unclean"? How do we properly follow in His steps?
4. From our Pooh illustration, why is it important for us to do all the uncomfortable "All the Way Down" work in our hearts to see what is there "All the Way Down"?
5. Are you most likely to try to ignore, manage, or try to fix your own divided heart? How has that worked out for you?
6. Read Matthew 5:3. Why is this such a foundational principle for spiritual transformation?
7. Read Matthew 5:8. What does it mean to see God in heaven and in your everyday life? How have you seen God in your everyday life today?
8. How is Ezekiel 11:19 an encouraging verse for this study?
9. What is one application you can take home with you from this study?

# South Campus – April 29, 2018



Matthew 15: 1-20 - Dominic Rivera

1. Jesus and the spiritual leaders had a conversation about how to live a whole life - i.e. that who we are and what we do should be connected. What examples in your city, community, or our culture that display the need for wholeness?
2. The spiritual leaders of Jesus' day developed a way of living in which they did acts in hope of being transformed into a certain type of person. Jesus said that to be people of wholeness is the opposite - our transformed being drives our doing. Where have you felt this tension of Being and Doing? (i.e. Where have you struggled? Where have you found success?)
3. How would you respond to the idea that following Jesus does not require any "doing"?
4. What does Jesus accuse the spiritual leaders of doing when He refers to them as "hypocrites" and the target of Isaiah's prophecy (v.7-9)?
5. What is the good news from Jesus' response (v.15-20)?
6. How do you participate in the renewing work that God is doing in you? Where do you push against His transformation of you? Where do you embrace it?
7. Pray for one another, asking the Holy Spirit to transform you to be the person that God has called you to be, and to live in the way of Jesus.