

**Questions Asked By Disciples:
Do You Know the Pharisees Were Offended?
Matthew 15:12**

I. Tradition that becomes ritual.

- A. Tradition – transmission of _____ or beliefs from generation to generation.
- B. Ritual – a religious ceremony consisting of a series of actions arising from _____ or habit.
- C. Traditions become _____ rituals when things passed down are man-made and not God made.

II. The Old Testament Rituals Explained.

- A. A picture is worth a thousand words (_____).
- B. The whole ceremonial system of physically preparing yourself to worship on the outside was a picture of what God wants on the inside – _____.

III. The Correction and Admonition.

- A. Jesus was saying, stop following your ritualistic man-made traditions and _____.
- B. Let the Pharisees alone. Let the hypocrites alone. Let those _____ who push their man-made rituals on you alone. Stay away from them (2 Tim. 3:5).

“We teach people to follow Jesus.”