



PHARISEE UNIVERSITY

KEEP THE
UNDESIRABLES OUT

VERSES:

Matthew 15:23

Matthew 15:21-28

Mark 7:26

Acts 10:34-35

Matthew 23:13

Matthew 11:28

1 Thessalonians 4:11-12

2 Corinthians 5:17

Matthew 23:23-24

Leviticus 11:20-23

Matthew 21:31

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Matthew 15:23 - His disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us."

INTRODUCTION

When we center our lives on the person of Christ, our grace expands, our love expands, and most importantly, we become less exclusive and our circle expands to be as large as Jesus'.

DISCUSSION

When were you excluded from something (in grade school, in high school, last week)?

What happened?

What does it feel like to be excluded?

EXPLANATION - Read Matthew 15:21-28

What are the exclusions you have set up?

Who would you refuse to associate with (and why)?

Are there any people you wish you simply didn't have to interact with?

APPLICATION - Read Matthew 23:1-4

Which of your own personal burdens have you placed on others?

What is the thing (issue) that you would use to be able to separate yourself from others?

MISSION

What is the difference between heavy and hard?

How can we be a people that show the world Jesus hard words, yet also display the lighter burden?

Which is easier for you to talk to people about, lighter loads or the hard words of Jesus?

Why do you think that is?

FUTURE EVENTS:

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