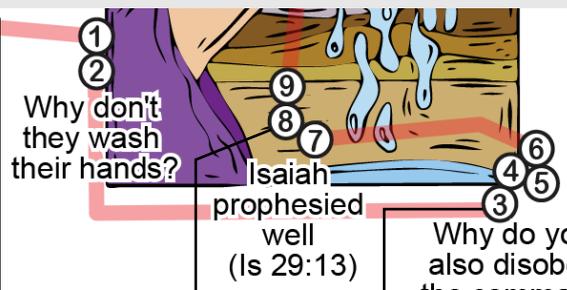


1 Τότε προσέρχονται τῷ Ἰησοῦ ἀπὸ Ἱεροσολύμων Φαρισαῖοι καὶ γραμματεῖς λέγοντες·  
 2 Διὰ τί οἱ μαθηταὶ σου παραβαίνουν τὴν παράδοσιν τῶν πρεσβυτέρων; οὐ γὰρ νίπτονται τὰς χεῖρας ὅταν ἄρτον ἐσθίωσιν.

1 Then Pharisees and scribes came to Jesus from Jerusalem, saying,  
 2 "Why do your disciples disobey the tradition of the elders? For they don't wash their hands when they eat bread."



7 ὑποκριταί, καλῶς ἐπροφήτευσεν περὶ ὑμῶν Ἡσαίας λέγων  
 8 Ὁ λαὸς οὗτος τοῖς χεῖλεσίν με τιμᾷ, ἡ δὲ καρδία αὐτῶν πόρρω ἀπέχει ἀπ' ἐμοῦ·  
 9 μάτην δὲ σέβονται με, διδάσκοντες διδασκαλίας ἐντάλματα ἀνθρώπων.

7 You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, saying,  
 8 'These people draw near to me with their mouth, And honor me with their lips; But their heart is far from me.  
 9 And in vain do they worship me, Teaching as doctrine rules made by men.'

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3 He answered them, "Why do you also disobey the commandment of God because of your tradition?  
 4 For God commanded, 'Honor your father and your mother,' and, 'He who speaks evil of father or mother, let him be put to death.'  
 5 But you say, 'Whoever may tell his father or his mother, "Whatever help you might otherwise have gotten from me is a gift devoted to God,"  
 6 he shall not honor his father or mother.' You have made the commandment of God void because of your tradition.

3 ὁ δὲ ἀποκριθεὶς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς Διὰ τί καὶ ὑμεῖς παραβαίνετε τὴν ἐντολὴν τοῦ θεοῦ διὰ τὴν παράδοσιν ὑμῶν;  
 4 ὁ γὰρ θεὸς εἶπεν Τίμα τὸν πατέρα καὶ τὴν μητέρα, καί· Ὁ κακολογῶν πατέρα ἢ μητέρα θανάτῳ τελευτάτω·  
 5 ὑμεῖς δὲ λέγετε· Ὅς ἂν εἶπη τῷ πατρὶ ἢ τῇ μητρὶ Δῶρον ὃ ἐὰν ἐξ ἐμοῦ ὠφελῆθῃς,  
 6 οὐ μὴ τιμήσει τὸν πατέρα αὐτοῦ· καὶ ἠκυρώσατε τὸν λόγον τοῦ θεοῦ διὰ τὴν παράδοσιν ὑμῶν.