MATTHEW 15 THE KING'S CONCERN

Chapter 15

Summary: As in Chapter 14, we see Jesus in conflict with His enemies, teaching His own disciples, and ministering to the needy. His concerns are *truth* and *love*. He teaches His enemies the *truth* and exposes their hypocrisy, and He shows the Gentile crowds *love* as He meets their needs.

I. Jesus Is Concerned About Truth (15:1-20). Jesus answers His enemies' accusation of uncleanness, explaining that true righteousness is from within, not without. [Re: food: Mk 7:18-23, Acts 10:13, 1 Tim 4:4]

II. Jesus Is Concerned About Love (15:21-39). He ministers love by healing [a demon-possessed woman (21-28), and many sick people (29-31)], and by feeding over 4,000 hungry people (32-39)

Lesson: Jesus shows His concern for all through truth and love.