

Faith Group Questions

Jesus is... (Part 6): Countercultural

1. Read Mark 3:1-6. The Pharisees and Jesus had completely different definitions of what it meant to be religious. What was the difference between the two according to these verses?
 - a. Which definition do you tend to lean towards and why? (Remember, confession is good for the soul.)

2. Read James 1:22-27 and 1 John 3:16-18. As a Spirit filled Christian, what are some ways you can personally put your religion into practice?
 - a. Discuss as a group how you can put your religion into practice together.

3. Read Mark 3:5. The common thought is that all anger is sinful, but anger over sin is never wrong as Jesus demonstrated. We must be careful, though, as Ephesians 4:26 says, "In your anger do not sin." Why can this be so difficult?
 - a. What does Jesus' anger in verse 5 demonstrate about how he feels towards the injustices you've experienced?

 - b. Anger, if used correctly can cause you to stand up for what is right. What is God calling you to stand up for at this time in your life?



Car Conversations

Keep the conversation with your kids going using these questions based on the Faith Kids' lesson.

1. What is the craziest rule you've had to obey or have heard of?
2. What did Jesus ask God?
3. Why did Jesus obey God and not run away?
4. What are some scary things God asks his people to do?
5. When God asks you to do something hard, what can you do to make it easier?