

Mark 7:19

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?

Analysis

Mark 7:19 This passage continues Mark's fast-paced narrative demonstrating Jesus' divine authority, miraculous power, and confrontation with religious establishment. The theological themes include Christ's deity, sacrificial mission, call to discipleship, and inauguration of God's kingdom. Reformed interpretation emphasizes sovereign grace, substitutionary atonement, and transformation through regeneration.

Historical Context

First-century Palestinian Jewish context under Roman occupation shapes the narrative. Archaeological discoveries confirm Gospel accounts' historical accuracy. Ancient sources (Josephus, Tacitus) corroborate biblical timeline and cultural details. Early church fathers interpreted these Christologically, seeing Old Testament fulfillment and New Covenant establishment.

Related Passages

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. How does this verse reveal Christ's person and work in redemptive history?
2. What transformation should this truth produce in your thinking, affections, and behavior?

Interlinear Text

ὅτι	οὐκ	εἰσπορεύεται	αὐτοῦ	εἰς	τὴν	καρδίαν	ἀλλ'
Because	not	it entereth	his	into	^{G3588}	heart	but
G3754	G3756	G1531	G846	G1519		G2588	G235
εἰς	τὴν	κοιλίαν	καὶ	εἰς	τὸν	ἀφεδρῶνα	ἐκπορεύεται
into	^{G3588}	the belly	and	into	^{G3588}	the draught	goeth out
G1519		G2836	G2532	G1519		G856	G1607
καθαρίζον	πάντα	τὰ	βρώματα				
purgings	all	^{G3588}	meats				
G2511	G3956		G1033				

Additional Cross-References

Acts 11:9 (Parallel theme): But the voice answered me again from heaven, What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common.

Acts 10:15 (Parallel theme): And the voice spake unto him again the second time, What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common.

Matthew 15:17 (Parallel theme): Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught?

Colossians 2:16 (Parallel theme): Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath days:

Luke 11:41 (Parallel theme): But rather give alms of such things as ye have; and, behold, all things are clean unto you.

1 Corinthians 6:13 (Parallel theme): Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body.

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