

## 10/07/18 | Keep it Simple: Qualified



*'Everything is permissible for me'—but not everything is beneficial.  
'Everything is permissible for me'—but I will not be mastered by anything.*

—1 Corinthians 6:12 | NIV

### DISCUSSION

1. Have you ever just gone through the motions without putting your heart behind your actions?
2. How often do you think this happens with worship? How often do you think it happens with obeying God?
3. What stuck out to you from Colossians 2? What stuck out to you from the sermon?

### Added On

4. Read Colossians 2:16-23. If all you knew about God's rules came from these verses, what would you know?
5. Read Matthew 15:1-20. What was the problem with the Pharisee's traditions? How did Jesus describe them in verse 14?
6. What distinction does Jesus make between following God and following manmade traditions? Does this mean all manmade traditions pull people away from God? Why or why not?
7. Do you have any manmade traditions that pull you closer to God? How? Have you ever tried to use your traditions to replace the Gospel?
8. How much do you care what comes out of your mouth? Why does

Jesus say that what comes out of our mouth comes from the heart?

9. Read 1 Samuel 15:22, Psalm 40:6, and Matthew 9:13. What do these verses say is more important than sacrifices? How can we use these verses to guide us to follow God with our hearts instead of empty rituals?
  
10. John 4:23-24. What does it mean to you to worship the Lord in spirit and truth?
  
11. Read 1 Samuel 16:7. Do outward appearances matter? Do outward actions matter?
  
12. Read 1 Corinthians 6:12 and Romans 6:11-14. What does Paul (writer of both passages) mean by calling sin a master? How can we use these verses to remember that what we do still matters to the Lord, even if He hasn't made it a Gospel requirement?
  
13. How can you use the verses from this study to determine what God requires versus what humans have added?
  
14. How can we learn to obey God with our hearts and not only our actions?

**TAKE AWAY:** Evaluate your add-ons.