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Matthew 15:17-20

- "Do you not yet understand that whatever enters the mouth goes into the stomach and is eliminated? But those things which proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and they defile a man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies. These are *the things* which defile a man, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile a man."

Acts 22:16

- 'And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord.'

Hebrews 10:10

- By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once *for all*.

Romans 3:21-22

- But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. For there is no difference;

Romans 3:23-24

- for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

1 Timothy 1:15

- This *is* a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.

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Slogans from Corinth

- “All things are lawful for me.”
 - But all things are not helpful
- “All things are lawful for me.”
 - But I will not be brought under the power of any
- “Foods for the stomach and the stomach for foods.”
 - But God will destroy both of them

1 Corinthians 10:23-24

- All things are lawful for me, but not all things are helpful; all things are lawful for me, but not all things edify. Let no one seek his own, but each one the other's *well-being*.

Romans 6:12-13

- Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts. And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God.

Romans 6:14-16

- For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace. What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? Certainly not! Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one's slaves whom you obey, whether of sin *leading to death*, or of obedience *leading to righteousness*?

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1 Thessalonians 4:3-5

- For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality; that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, not in passion of lust, like the Gentiles who do not know God;

1 Thessalonians 4:6-8

- that no one should take advantage of and defraud his brother in this matter, because the Lord *is* the avenger of all such, as we also forewarned you and testified. For God did not call us to uncleanness, but in holiness. Therefore he who rejects *this* does not reject man, but God, who has also given us His Holy Spirit.

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