What Did Jesus Say About Washing Hands?

Matthew 15

(All verses KJV)

Directions: Follow along with the BC Missions video to help you fill in the blanks or answer each question.

1.) Defile means to _____, to _____, or to make _____ . In other words, to _____ something.

2.) Matthew 15:2 – Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they _____ _____ their _____ when they eat bread.

3.) The scribes and Pharisees made a big deal about catching Jesus's disciples not washing their hands because they couldn't catch them breaking any of _____ laws or _____ laws.

4.) In his response, what did Jesus call the scribes and Pharisees? _____

5.) Read Matthew 15:7-8 as a family and discuss. What is Jesus's description of a hypocrite?

6.) Matthew 15:11, 18 – Not that which goeth _____ the mouth _____ a man; but that which cometh _____ of the mouth, this _____ a man.
But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the _____; and they defile the man.

7.) Ephesians 4:31-32 - Let all _____, and wrath, and _____, and clamor, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye _____ one to another, tenderhearted, _____ one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

8.) Hebrews 12:14-15 – Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord: Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness _____ up _____ you, and thereby many be _____;

9.) Match each part of the mountain illustration with what it represents.

_____ Mentos	**A.** A Christian following Ephesians 4:31-32 by forgiving instead of holding onto bitterness and anger
_____ 1ˢᵗ Bottle of Diet Coke	**B.** Bitterness springing forth, defiling everything and everyone around it
_____ 2ⁿᵈ Bottle of Diet Coke	**C.** Everyday challenges in a Christian's life
_____ The Explosion	**D.** A Christian holding onto the sin of bitterness and anger.

10.) Application – This week we can all work on cleaning the outside by washing hands frequently, but what's one thing we can do to clean up the inside?