

Daily Morning Message
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Lectionary Readings

Psalm 22
Job 20:1-29
Matthew 15:1-9

Today's Scripture Verse:

This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines. (Matthew 15:8-9)

What it means:

The questioning by some religious leaders of his teachings causes Jesus to remember what Isaiah said about those who opposed him. He reminds them that it is not the cleverness of debate but the genuineness of a person's heart that constitutes faithful teaching.

Reflection:

God, may our faithfulness be characterized by authenticity of love. Help us to refrain from the effort to score points against those with whom we disagree.

