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- He Respected the Authority of the Scriptures
 - (Mt. 12:3,5,10; 19:4; 22:29-31; Lk. 16:29; 4:4,8,12).
 - What do the Scriptures say? (Prov. 14:12).
- He Did Not View Tradition as Authoritative
 - (Matthew 15:8-9).
 - Consider how many times Jesus violated the traditions of their fathers.
 - Consider how many of our divisions today occur over men elevating opinions and traditions to the level of doctrine.

- He Recognized Authority in Implication
 - (Matthew 22:23-33).
 - Implicit truth is just as true and binding as explicit truth.
- He Viewed the Silence of the Scriptures as Prohibitive
 - (Matthew 19:3-6).
 - God authorized marriage, and since divorce was not authorized, it was a violation.
 - He did not have to say, "Do not divorce."

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If we will view Scripture as Jesus did, we will have assurance that we are properly handling the word of God.