Lesson 1: Staying on the Line

Name: Date:

1. What does it mean to go above and below the line? What are examples of each?
2. Read Mark 7:1-13. How are the Pharisees going above the line? How does Jesus feel about what they are doing? What happens to the Word of God as they go above the line?
3. Compare and contrast Eve’s and the serpent’s actions in Genesis 3:1-5? What does the instructor argue each of their actions equate to?
4. How does Jesus hold the line with the religious leaders in Matthew 19:3-9? What does Jesus expose in the religious leaders’ hearts as their motivation for going below the line of Scripture by allowing divorce? Why do people today go below the line in their beliefs?
5. In passages you personally find difficult, do you tend to go above the line or below the line? What are you gaining as a result? What are you losing?