Christ's Temple Cleansing Controversies

Matthew

21:12-17

- (12) And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves,
- (13) And said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.
- (14) And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple; and he healed them.
- (15) And when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying in the temple, and saying, Hosanna to the Son of David; they were sore displeased,
- (16) And said unto him, Hearest thou what these say? And Jesus saith unto them, Yea; have ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise?
- (17) And he left them, and went out of the city into Bethany; and he lodged there.

21:23-27

- (23) And when he was come into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came unto him as he was teaching, and said, By what authority doest thou these things? and who gave thee this authority?
- (24) And Jesus answered and said unto them, I also will ask you one thing, which if ye tell me, I in like wise will tell you by what authority I do these things.
- (25) The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven, or of men? And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say unto us, Why did ye not then believe him?
- (26) But if we shall say, Of men; we fear the people; for all hold John as a prophet.
- (27) And they answered Jesus, and said, We cannot tell. And he said unto them, Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things.

Mark

11:15-19

- (15) And they come to Jerusalem: and Jesus went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves;
- (16) And would not suffer that any man should carry any vessel through the temple.
- (17) And he taught, saying unto them, Is it not written, My house shall be called of all nations the house of prayer? but ye have made it a den of thieves.
- (18) And the scribes and chief priests heard it, and sought how they might destroy him: for they feared him, because all the people was astonished at his doctrine.
- (19) And when even was come, he went out of the city.

11:27-33

- (27) And they come again to Jerusalem: and as he was walking in the temple, there come to him the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders,
- (28) And say unto him, By what authority doest thou these things? and who gave thee this authority to do these things? (29) And Jesus answered and said unto them, I will also ask of you one question, and answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things.
- (30) The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or of men? answer me.
- (31) And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why then did ye not believe him?
- (32) But if we shall say, Of men; they feared the people: for all men counted John, that he was a prophet indeed.
- (33) And they answered and said unto Jesus, We cannot tell. And Jesus answering saith unto them, Neither do I tell you by what authority I do these things.

Luke

19:45-48

- (45) And he went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold therein, and them that bought;
- (46) Saying unto them, It is written, My house is the house of prayer: but ye have made it a den of thieves.
- (47) And he taught daily in the temple. But the chief priests and the scribes and the chief of the people sought to destroy him,
- (48) And could not find what they might do: for all the people were very attentive to hear him.

20:1-8

- (1) And it came to pass, that on one of those days, as he taught the people in the temple, and preached the gospel, the chief priests and the scribes came upon him with the elders,
- (2) And spake unto him, saying, Tell us, by what authority doest thou these things? or who is he that gave thee this authority?
- (3) And he answered and said unto them, I will also ask you one thing; and answer me:
- (4) The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or of men?
- (5) And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why then believed ye him not?
- (6) But and if we say, Of men; all the people will stone us: for they be persuaded that John was a prophet.
- (7) And they answered, that they could not tell whence it was.
- (8) And Jesus said unto them, Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things.

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John 2:13-22

- (13) And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem,
- (14) And found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting:
- (15) And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables;
- (16) And said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise.
- (17) And his disciples remembered that it was written, The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up.
- (18) Then answered the Jews and said unto him, What sign shewest thou unto us, seeing that thou doest these things?
- (19) Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.
- (20) Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days?
- (21) But he spake of the temple of his body.
- (22) When therefore he was risen from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.

Matthew 17:24-27

- (24) And when they were come to Capernaum, they that received tribute money came to Peter, and said, Doth not your master pay tribute?
- (25) He saith, Yes. And when he was come into the house, Jesus prevented him, saying, What thinkest thou, Simon? of whom do the kings of the earth take custom or tribute? of their own children, or of strangers?
- (26) Peter saith unto him, Of strangers. Jesus saith unto him, Then are the children free.
- (27) Notwithstanding, lest we should offend them, go thou to the sea, and cast an hook, and take up the fish that first cometh up; and when thou hast opened his mouth, thou shalt find a piece of money: that take, and give unto them for me and thee.