

Worshiping Jesus



MEMORY VERSE: "I tell you, you can pray for anything, and if you believe that you've received it, it will be yours."

Mark 11:24

DAY 1

MARK 11:1-14 — Triumphal Entry Into Jerusalem

1. Read 1-7. How amazing does it seem that every detail worked out just as Jesus predicted? How do these verses fulfill the prophecy in Zechariah 9:7-9?
2. Read verses 8-10. What can you learn from how the people reacted to Jesus?
3. Read verses 11-14. The fig tree represented Israel. What do you suppose is the deeper meaning or a deeper lesson?

DAY 2

MARK 11:15-19 — Jesus Clears the Table

4. Read verses 15-17. What did Jesus do when he entered the temple the next day? What were merchants doing in the temple courts that Jesus didn't like? Why didn't he like this?
5. What did the religious leaders do? Why? v. 18

6. What do these verses teach us about people? Teach us about Jesus' character?

DAY 3 MARK 11:20-26 — The Power of Faith

7. Read verses 13-14 and 20-21. Jesus cleansing the Temple is right in the middle of the parable of the fig tree. What do you think Jesus is telling us is the connection between the people in the Temple and the fig tree?

8. Read verses 22-24. What did Jesus teach His disciples from this situation? What was the key principle here?

9. In what kind of situation could you have this kind of faith that a mountain would be moved for you? How should this passage influence our prayer life?

10. Read verse 25. How does how we forgive others affect how God forgives us? Why might God not answer prayers if we don't really believe or if we're not forgiving others?

DAY 4 MARK 11:27-33 — Jesus' Authority Challenged

11. What question did the chief priests, scribes and elders ask Jesus? vv. 27-28
What "things" were they talking about? vv. 15-17

12. Read verses 30-34. What question did Jesus ask them in return?
Why wouldn't they answer Jesus?

13. What do we learn about people and human nature from their response?

DAY 5 MARK 11 — Wrap Up

14. What do Jesus' actions in this lesson tell you about His view of Himself and His mission?

15. What do the things you're asking God for say about your priorities in life? Are your priorities in line with God's priorities?

TAKE AWAY

God is your heavenly Father. He sees your life right now from beginning to end. He answers prayers with YES, NO, or WAIT. If you believe and forgive – all prayers get answered.

BLESSING

Prayer isn't about getting what we ask for. It's about getting more of God. Because it's only through God's love that we discover the soul-satisfying peace and joy we really want.

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Jesus approaches Jerusalem for the last time, knowing what will soon happen to Him. Yet He continues with His life while preparing for His death, visiting friends and teaching His disciples. He fulfills Old Testament predictions: riding a donkey and cleansing the temple, but the cheering crowds soon demand His execution. What about you? What is your response to Jesus? Are you for Him because your friends are?

Have faith in God. You can have faith in His character, that He is loving and gracious and merciful and does what

is best for us. You can have faith in His sovereign power, that He is completely able to control circumstances to bring about a specific outcome or even supernaturally intervene.

As we spend time with God, our thoughts and desires become more like His. When that happens, we can ask God for anything and He'll give it to us. Why? Because we will have been transformed to the point that we want what He wants for us.

Notes
