



The Authority of Jesus and the Power of Faith Matthew 21:12-22

1) What we learn about man

- a) He corrupts what God has made pure (12-13)
- b) He is healed from his corruptions by coming to Jesus in faith (14)
- c) He is jealous of God; wants glory for himself (15)
- d) He is ignorant to Scripture and suffers as a result (16)
- e) He is surprisingly amazed when God acts as only God can act (20)

2) What we learn about God

- a) He is zealous for His dwelling, hating its corruptions (12)
- b) He created man for fellowship with Him, not to profit through Him (13)
- c) He receives all who come to Him in faith, especially the lowly (14)
- d) He allows rebellious man to be jealous of Him for a time (15)
- e) He receives praise from those who joyfully give it (16)
- f) In His humanity, He experiences hunger (18)
- g) Even in His humanity, He is sovereign over His creation (19)

3) Principles for application

- a) Believe that Jesus is God in the flesh, trust Him for salvation, and you shall be saved
- b) Purify your minds and bodies—the temple of God—for the sole purpose of bringing glory to God (13)
- c) Direct your praise to God through Jesus, the Son of David (16)
- d) Believe that which you pray for, and do not doubt God (21-22)