

Disciple's Quest

*If you continue in My word, then you are
truly disciples of Mine.*

John 8:31



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The Parable of Two Sons

Matthew 21:23 - 32

Main Idea:

Jesus condemns the stubborn unbelief of Israel's self-righteous religious leaders.

Outline:

1) The Interrogation

2) The Reversal

3) The Incrimination

Questions for further contemplation and application after the message:

#1 Why do you think Israel's religious leaders rejected Jesus?

What are some of the reasons why people reject the saving message of the gospel today?

#2 Do you see a connection between the religious leaders in today's passage and the fruitless fig tree in v.v. 18 – 19? Explain it.

#3 How is the greatness of God's grace evident in the parable?

#4 Read the parable again, then read James 2:14 – 26. What is the connection between authentic faith and action/works?

#5 What is the ultimate consequence of rejecting Jesus?

Select helpful resources:

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