

Two Key Events Marked Jesus' Last Monday on Earth:

1. Clearing of the Temple (verses 15-19)
2. C\_\_\_\_\_ of the Fig Tree (vv.12-14; 20-21)

**I. The P\_\_\_\_\_ of the Fig Tree**

- An Inspection of the Tree by Jesus
  - All leaves but no f\_\_\_\_\_

**II. The Pronouncement on the Fig Tree**

- A Cursing of the Tree by Jesus
- A Withering of the Tree

**III. The Purpose of the Fig Tree**

- Withered Fig Tree= Spiritual D\_\_\_\_\_ of Israel
- Cursing= God's judgment on His people for their rejection of Jesus, the Messiah

**Two Applications for Our Lives Today . . .**

1. A f\_\_\_\_\_ life will face God's judgment one day.

Key Questions: Is our life ALL leaves but NO fruit?

If there's no fruit out of our lives, there's no root of salvation.

2. Be careful that outward religious a \_\_\_\_\_ doesn't replace inward pursuit of Jesus.