

Is Your View of Jesus Too Small? November 5, 2023 | Mark 11:12-25 Questions for Study and Group Discussion

**Before discussing these questions, read through Mark 11:12-25 as a group.

- 1. Ice-breaker: Share a light-hearted or "fun fact" about yourself that others in the group probably don't know. (Perhaps a unique skill you have, a funny quirk, or an accomplishment, for example.)
- 2. Why is it important to learn as much as we can about who Jesus is instead of having a small view of Jesus?
- 3. Describe in your own words what it means to have a small view of Jesus. (That is, "What might a 'small view of Jesus' look like?")
- 4. Why does a small view of Jesus need to be addressed?
- 5. What do you learn about Jesus in Mark 11:12-25 that is new to you, or that challenges the "small views" of Jesus you brought up in Question #3?
- 6. Why does Jesus act the way He does in this passage? What are the contributing factors?
- 7. With your answer(s) to the previous question in mind, what might these "contributing factors" look like today, in the twenty-first century? How can we guard against these things?
- 8. Focus on Mark 11:22-25. Based on this passage, what "godly fruit" is Jesus looking for in His followers?
- 9. In your own words, explain what it means that Jesus is our "true and perfect Temple" (see also John 2:18-22).
- 10. How does what you've learned about Jesus in this passage affect what following Him faithfully looks like, practically speaking?
- 11. What other questions or comments do you have about this passage?
- 12. What is your biggest take-away from what you've discussed so far? What practical step will you take to apply what you've seen in God's Word?
- 13. **Challenge:** Identify one way this passage is challenging or encouraging you. Who can you tell this coming week about what you're learning?