

John 2:13-22

Jesus Cleanses the Temple

1. Jesus _____ the Temple: (13-17)

- a. The Context: *'The Passover of the Jews was at hand'*:
 - i. Commemorated God's _____ and _____. –Ex 12:1-17
 - ii. One of three _____ feasts held in Jerusalem. –Deut 16:1-17
- b. The Event:
 - i. His _____: Animals and moneychangers in the temple:
 1. Not against _____ and _____ as such. –Lev 10:10
 2. But the failure to treat His Father's House as _____. –Ex 12:14-17
 - ii. His _____: He forcibly drove them all out of the temple:
 1. He made a whip and forcibly _____ them all. –12:31
 2. He drove out the animals and overturned the tables.
 3. *'Do not make my Father's house a house of trade.'* –Zech 14:21
- c. The Meaning: His disciples remembered Psalm 69:9:
 - i. David's Greater Son had the _____ zeal for God's house. –Ps 69:9
 - ii. This temple received _____ than Solomon's. –Hag 2:9
 - iii. Messiah _____ against them to purify their worship. –2 Pet 4:17

2. Jesus _____ the Temple: (18-22)

- a. Demand: *'What sign do you show us for doing these things?'*
 - i. They care not about its _____ or _____. –1:19
 - ii. They questioned His _____ to act. –6:30; 7:17; 10:41
- b. Response: *'Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.'*
- c. Confusion: *'It has taken 46 years to build this temple'* –Matt 26:61; 27:40
- d. Understanding: *'But He was speaking about the temple of His body'*:
 - i. Much later His disciples understood and _____. –12:16; 20:31
 - ii. Jesus is where man and God truly _____. –1:14; 10:30; 17:21
 - iii. Jesus is when sin is truly _____. –1:29, 36
 - iv. Jesus' _____ is now God's temple on earth. –1 Cor 3:16-18; 6:19

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The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴ In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. ¹⁵ And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶ And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." ¹⁷ His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

¹⁸ So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" ¹⁹ Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰ The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹ But he was speaking about the temple of his body. ²² When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.