



CURRICULUM GUIDE

Matthew Season 6: Religion to Redemption
Episode 2: Tables Overturned and Mountains Moved
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2026 - Summer trimester: 6/1–7/27 **Fall trimester:** 8/17–12/7

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THIS WEEK'S READING PLAN: Download our app for [Apple](#) or [Android](#). Click the "Daily" icon at the bottom of the app for our daily Bible reading plan.

Share Wins, Praises and Prayers: Where did you see God move this week?

Action Step Review: Last week's action step: *Before checking your phone or beginning your day, spend at least ten minutes with Jesus in prayer and Scripture. Ask Him to help you order your entire day around His priorities instead of yours.* How did God answer your prayers? What did you learn about God? About yourself?

Memory Verse: *Romans 12:11-12*

Sermon Text: *Psalms 8:1-9; Zechariah 9:9; Matthew 21:1-22; John 2:5, 11:47-48; Romans 12:11, 2 Timothy 4:2-4; James 4:17; Revelation 3:2, 16*

Discussion Questions

Leaders: Please use the questions in the curriculum to facilitate discussion of the sermon and the Scriptures. **But there's no need to answer every question.** The goal is to get your group members talking more than you and to get them going deeper. **The answers in parentheses** are simply possible responses you can use after your group has shared their thoughts to help keep the discussion going. They are not intended to be the only or "correct" answers.

- **Read Matthew 21:1-22. What stood out to you this week in the sermon, in the Scriptures and what God revealed to you about Himself?**
- **Discover:** Share a time you felt God calling you to do something that didn't make sense to you.
Deepen: What is Jesus telling you to do that you need to obey? *(We often want understanding, certainty, and control before we act. The Bible reverses that order. We obey because we trust the character of God. The disciples did not yet understand everything, but Jesus did. God often reveals the purpose after the step of obedience, not before it. See John 2:1-11.)*
- **Read Matthew 21:12-13. What stirred up Jesus's anger?** *(The people had lost their awe of God and were using God's name to make much of themselves. They were price gouging the worshippers, using gentile courts to fleece the people and turning an onramp to God into a toll booth.)*
- **Discover:** Discuss the differences between righteous and unrighteous anger and how to deal with both. *(Read Ephesians 4:26. Pastor Tim Keller said, "Anger is love in motion to protect what you love most." We tend to have unrighteous anger to defend us, our comfort, our reputation and our ego. Righteous anger is what angers God. See James 1:19 and 4:1, Exodus 34:6 and Amos 5:23-24.)*
Deepen: What makes you angry and what do you think is the root of that anger? *(Sometimes you have to go three or more "whys" deep to get to the root. See Ephesians 4:26; James 1:19-20; James 4:1-2.)*
- **What are some things happening today that you think break God's heart, and what can you do about them?**
- **Read Matthew 21:18-19. How are these verses a warning to Jesus followers?** *(It's a picture of what the temple had become and what many churches are like today: all leaves and no fruit, playing church, apathetic and going through the motions. See Revelation 3:2 and 16, Romans 12:11, 2 Timothy 4:2-4 and James 4:17.)*
- **Share what you do to stir your affections for Jesus and not be a lukewarm Christian.** *(List the ways you are in awe of God: prayer, worship, reading and meditating on scripture, creating a grateful list, listen to worship music, silence and solitude with God, serving, obeying Him, getting outside in his beautiful creation...)*

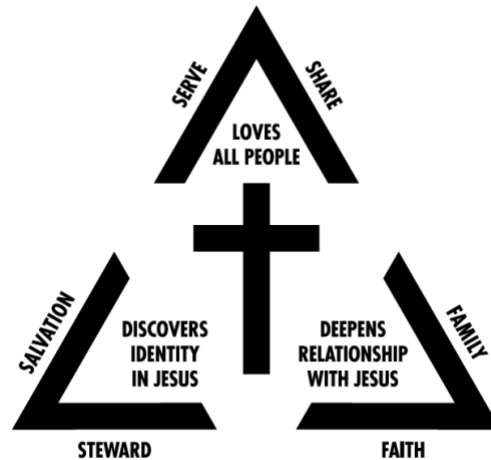
Action Step: Text PRAYER to 44-1122, share your prayer requests and the elders will pray for you.

Pray every day this week: "Lord, help my heart love what You love and hate what You hate. Break my heart for what breaks Yours. Show me anything in my life that does not honor You, and give me the courage to not just feel convicted, but to do something about it. My "yes" is on the table."

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