

# Gospel of Mark

10-29-23

chapter

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- 11 Who Cleans YOUR Temple?
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- 14 Willing
- 15 Sacrificed
- 16 ALIVE



for whoever touches  
you touches the  
apple of his eye

Zachariah 2:8

St. Mark, 1804, by Vladimir Borovikovsky  
Kazan Cathedral, Saint Petersburg



Entry of Christ Into Jerusalem  
Sir Anthony van Dyke (1618)

## Who Cleans YOUR Temple?

11:10 “Blessed is the coming Kingdom  
of our father David!”  
“Hosanna in the Highest Heaven!”

22 Years Ago a SINGLE Event  
Changed the Free World

September 11, 2001 ...

When 2nd Plane hit South Tower

ALL the world knew it was

NO ACCIDENT

Most have never forgotten ...

a few have ... to our *peril*

After Jesus left the Temple

After His Temple Cleaning

No more Healing or Miracles

NEW Sad Day for Jesus as

He *relinquishes* his power

Flight 175 hitting the  
South Tower 🤯



# Mark 11's Five Episodes

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## Jesus in Jerusalem 3x

1. 12 Years Old
2. Early ministry John 7-11, Luke 10-11
3. Last Week of His Life

Bethany – where Jesus had raised Lazarus months ago

From Bartimaeus in Jericho—20 miles to Jerusalem

**FIVE Episodes** beginning with Jesus' Triumphal Entry

First, they arrive then retreat to Bethany, Jesus' 2nd Hometown

- ❖ Jesus has given MANY Parables
- ❖ Taught at Feast of Tabernacles
- ❖ Raised Lazarus ~ Sent 70 Out
- ❖ Lost Sheep ~ Lost Coin
- ❖ Prodigal Son ~ Shrewd Manager
- ❖ Workers in Vineyard





# After the Road to Jericho

Mark 11 on the way to Jerusalem

How long did Healed Bartimaeus follow?

I imagine NOT all the way to Jerusalem ...

Bart had MANY people in Jericho to **TELL**

Bart had MANY people in Jericho to **SEE**

20 miles to Jerusalem ...

a familiar well-worn path/road

Jesus KNOWS this is his Last Week

Would that his Disciples KNEW ..

REALLY Knew ... but they **DID NOT**

Comfort when OTHERS walk with you into

**Lions' Den**

**Valley of the Shadow of Death**







SEA OF  
GALILEE

Jericho

Jerusalem





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From Jericho ... Road to Jerusalem  
Arrive Sunday Triumphantly...

To Bethany then Clears Temple

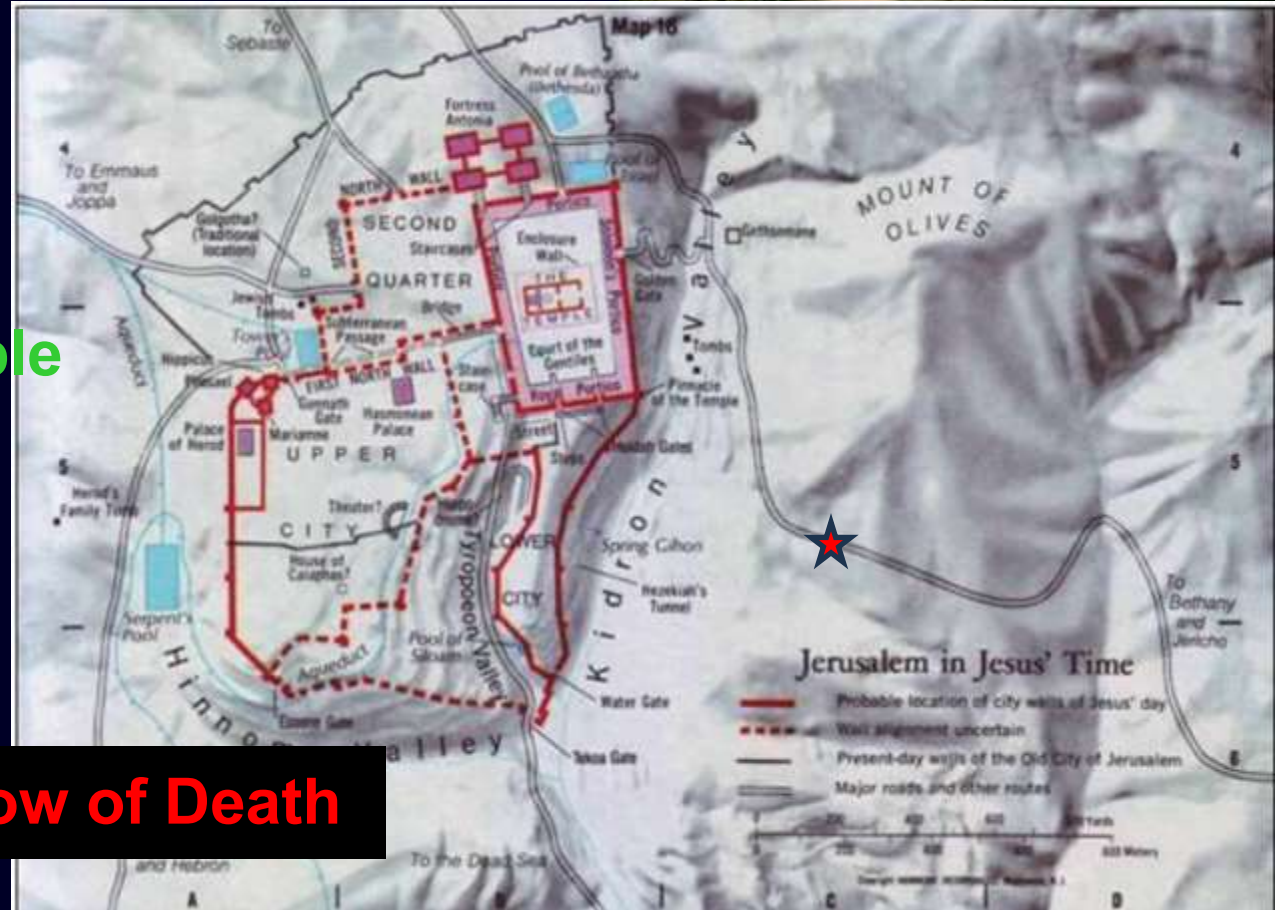
Jesus is **ALONE**

Disciples **LOVE** Jesus

But they do **NOT** know

Jesus **KNOWS**—into Lions' Den

Jesus **KNOWS**—Valley of the Shadow of Death





**Destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans  
under the Command of Titus AD 71**

by David Roberts (1796-1864)

Yeshiva University Museum, New York





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**Jesus sets up Triumphant Entry**

**John 12 – Jesus in Bethany**

**Mary anoints Jesus**

**John 12 – at Triumphant Entry**

**Part of Crowd are those who  
witnessed Jesus RAISE Lazarus**

**John 12 – Jesus foretell his Death *again***

**His “Soul troubled ... for this reason I came to this hour”**

**Voice from Heaven thundered “I have glorified it & will glorify it again.”**



# Luke 19:37 inform MORE

When Jesus came near the place where the road goes **DOWN** the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd ... began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for **ALL THE MIRACLES** they had seen.

Luke 19:41-42 Approaching Jerusalem ... Jesus **WEPT** said, "If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace—but now it is **HIDDEN....**

**NOTICE:** Matthew & Luke **BOTH**  
Right after Triumphant Entry  
Jesus went & **CEARED** Temple

Mark 11:11 Jesus enters Jerusalem  
... temple ... **LOOKS** around....  
**ALREADY LATE**, goes Bethany....

Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives  
by Edward Lear (1812-88)





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**JESUS SENT TWO DISCIPLES....**

**2** “Go to the village ... find a **COLT** tied there which  
no one has ever ridden. Untie it & bring it here.

**3-6** If anyone asks ... ‘The Lord needs it.’” ... *they did*

**7** they ... threw their cloaks over it,  
**JESUS SAT ON IT**

**8** **MANY PEOPLE** spread their cloaks on the road,  
while others spread branches cut in the fields.

All Healings, Demons Cast Out, Parables - ***JESUS***



Christs Entrance into Jerusalem  
Bernhard Plockhorst (1825-1907)



**John 12:14 Jesus  
FOUND the donkey**



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**Jesus Triumphant Entry**  
Alessandro Turchi, 1578-1649





**Entry of Christ Into Jerusalem**  
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## 11:1-11 **Triumphal Entry**

11:9 Those who went ahead & followed shouted,  
“**Hosanna!**”

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

10 “Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!”

“**Hosanna in the highest heaven!**”

*Hosanna* appears 6x in N.T. – 5 Triumphal Entry, 1 Temple in Matt, Mk, Luke

*Hosanna* is from Hebrew into Greek into English—as *the word SOUNDS*

*Hosanna* = “**Save, We Pray**” “**Save NOW!**” – cry w deep EMOTION

= MEANING “Save/Protect/Succor this Son of David NOW!”

= MEANING “BLESS this Son of David NOW!”

7th day Feast of Tabernacles called “Great Hosanna” or “Hosanna Day”

*Hosanna* = customary greeting @ Feast of Tabernacles – quoting Ps 118:25

**Lord, save us! Lord, grant us success!**



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**11:11** Jesus entered Jerusalem and  
went into the temple courts.

He looked around at everything,  
but since it was **ALREADY LATE**,  
He went out to Bethany with the Twelve.

**BACK** over Mt of Olives a few miles to Bethany  
- We do NOT know for sure ... Martha & Mary's?

**John 12** – Jesus is at Martha & Mary's

Mary Anoints Jesus – Day **BEFORE** Triumphant Entry

**RETURNED** Martha & Mary's for Last **BEST** Meal  
**BEFORE** Last Supper in Jerusalem





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**11:12** Next day as they were leaving Bethany,  
Jesus was hungry

**13** Seeing in the distance a fig tree **IN LEAF**,  
he went to find out if it had any fruit.  
When he reached it, **HE FOUND NOTHING** but leaves,  
because it was **NOT THE SEASON FOR FIGS**

**14** Then he said to the tree,  
“**May NO ONE** ever eat fruit from you again.”  
And his disciples heard him say it.

Hard to grasp—cursed even when **NOT** in season

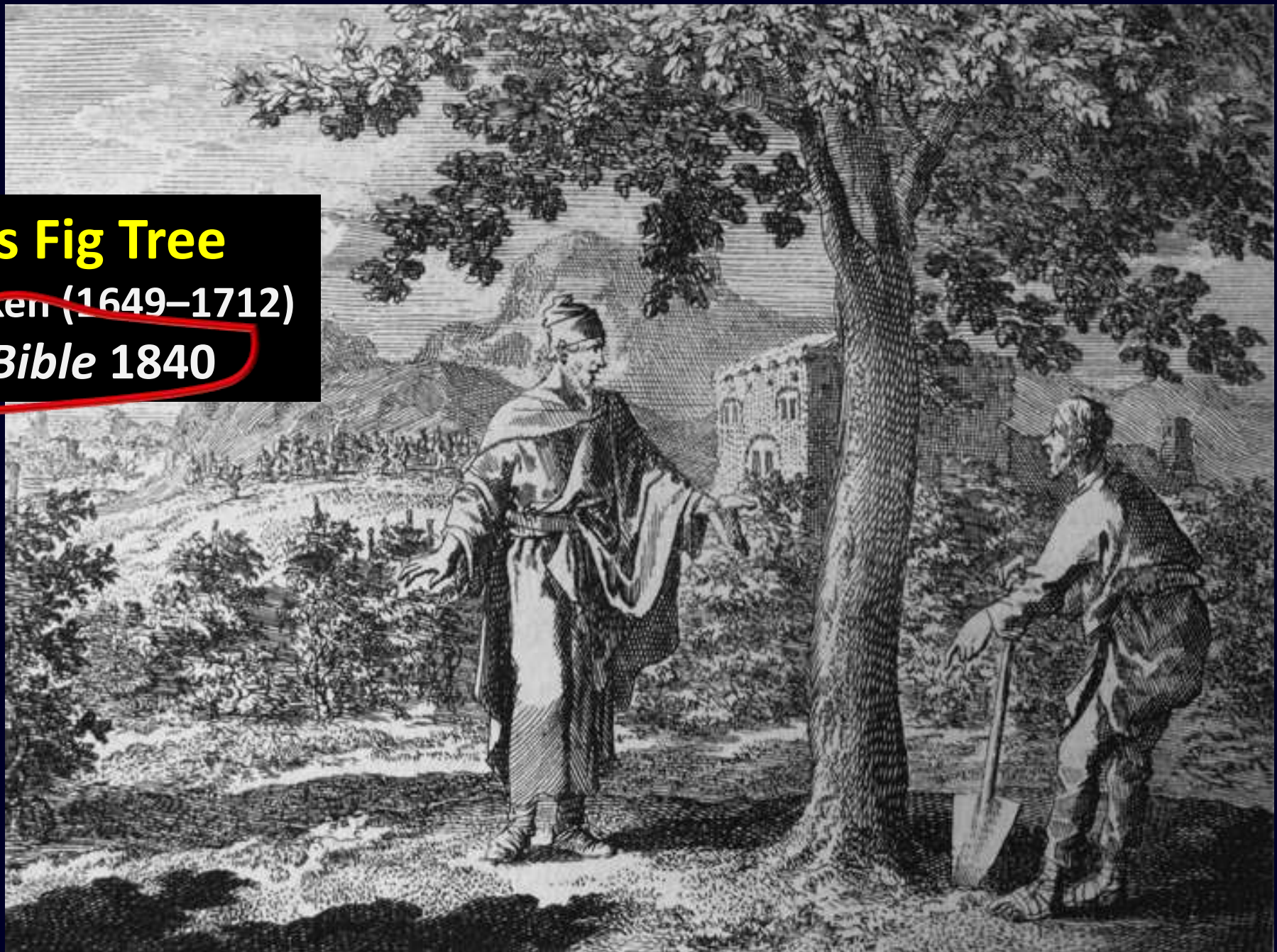


Jesus Curses Fig Tree, etching by  
Jan Luyken (1649–1712) for Bowyer Bible

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for *Bowyer Bible* 1840

Hard to grasp—  
Riddle?  
Or, for Jesus ...  
Are WE to  
Bear Fruit  
In & Out of  
Season?

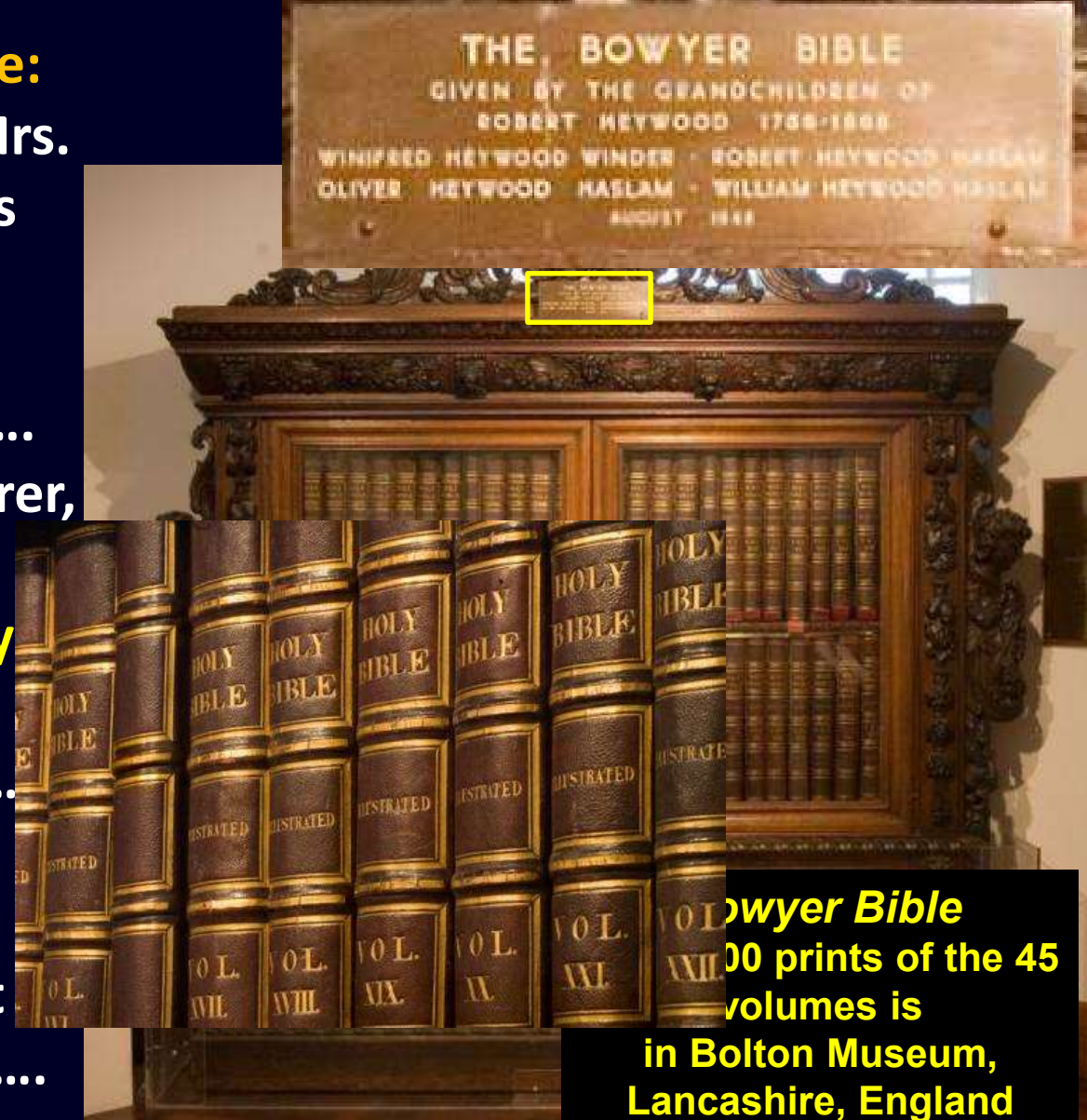




**10-14-1840, *Times of London* gave this notice:**

"There is at present, in the possession of Mrs. Parker of Golden Square, a copy of Macklin's Bible in **45 large volumes**, illustrated with nearly **7000 engravings** from the age of Michael Angelo to that of Reynolds & West.... works of Raffaele, Marc Antonio, Albert Durer, Callot, Rembrandt, and other masters, consisting of representations of **nearly every fact, circumstance, and object mentioned in the Holy Scriptures**.... trees, plants, flowers ... birds, fishes, & insects.... property of the **late Mr. [Robert] Bowyer [1758–1834] the publisher**, who collected & arranged ... great expense ... 30+ years in rendering [1800-34].... insured at the Albion Insurance for **£3000**."

See vol 1 (890p) of 4-vol set <https://www.digitalcollections.manchester.ac.uk/view/PR-R-14793-00001/1>



**Bowyer Bible**  
1000 prints of the 45 volumes is  
in Bolton Museum,  
Lancashire, England  
Bought by Robert  
Heywood 1853


## Jesus Curses Fig Tree

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What does it mean  
to YOU?

There are those who  
**TAKE** More Than  
They Deserve

Here's an example >>>>

A video of a beagle dog looking directly at the camera with a wide-eyed, surprised expression. The dog is positioned in the center of the frame, with its head and shoulders visible. The background is a plain, light-colored wall. The video is overlaid with a black text box containing white text.

When you get twice as many  
treats to learn how to sit because  
you're a "slow learner"



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**11:15** On reaching Jerusalem, Jesus entered the temple courts ... driving out those who were buying & selling there....

**OVERTURNED** the tables of the money changers and benches of those selling doves,

[^ few later scripts place v15 after 11:25 as v26]

**16** **WOULD NOT** allow anyone to carry merchandise thru the temple courts.

Jesus took over ... an authority unseen before ...  
Doubtlessly a little of His *irresistible*

**Glory to Come**

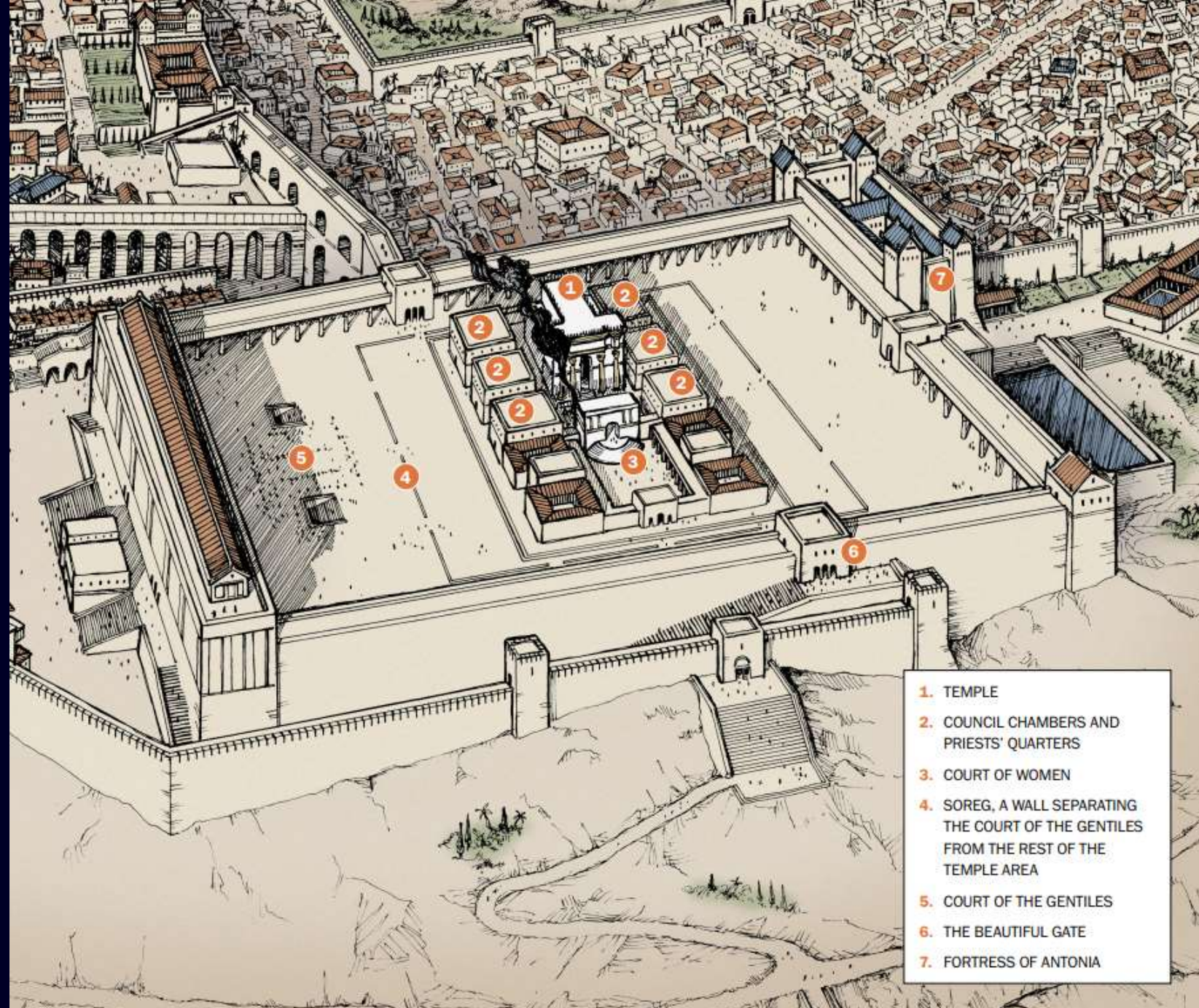
**Matthew 21:14 adds**  
**Blind & Lame came to Jesus at the temple, & HE HEALED THEM**

**When EVERY  
Knee  
Shall Bow**





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3. COURT OF WOMEN
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**11:17** And as he taught them, he said,

“Is it not written:

‘My house will be called a

**House of Prayer for ALL Nations**

**But you have made it den of robbers.**

**18** Chief Priests & Teachers of the Law heard this &

began **LOOKING** for a way to **KILL** him, for they feared him,

because the whole crowd was **AMAZED** at his teaching.

**19** When evening came, Jesus & Disciples went **OUT OF THE CITY.**

**Back to Bethany? ... perhaps ... next day back into Jerusalem**



## 11:20-26 Lesson from the **Withered** Fig tree

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**11:20** In the morning, as they went along,  
they saw the fig tree withered from the roots.

**21** Peter remembered ... “Rabbi, look!  
The fig tree you cursed has withered!”

**22** “**HAVE FAITH IN GOD,**” Jesus answered.

**23** “Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this **MOUNTAIN,**  
‘Go, throw yourself into the sea,’ and  
does **NOT DOUBT IN THEIR HEART** but believes ...  
it will be done for them.

**OTHER** than what it says, **NO ONE TRULY** understands ... or grasps it  
Unless ... Jesus meant that we are what Paul said in **Rom 3:23-24:**

“**ALL ...** fall short of the glory of God, & **ALL** are justified freely by  
His grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.”





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**11:24 Therefore I tell you,  
WHATEVER you ask for in prayer,  
believe that you have received it, and  
IT WILL BE YOURS**

**25 And when you stand praying,  
if you hold anything against anyone,  
forgive them, so that your Father in heaven  
may forgive you your sins.” [as v26 6:15]**

**Jesus asked us to do what HE will do for us in one week ... Luke 22:34**

**On the cross, “Forgive them, for they know NOW what they do”**



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**Politics FIRST – By “What Authority”? –  
NOT Merely the Temple Cleaning – Jesus too Famous**

**11:27 They arrived again in Jerusalem, & while  
Jesus was walking in the temple courts,  
Chief Priests, Teachers of the Law, Elders**

**CAME TO HIM**

**28 “By what AUTHORITY are you doing these things?” ....**

**29 Jesus replied, “I will ask you one question.  
Answer me, and I will tell you by what authority....**

**30 “John’s baptism—was it from heaven,  
or of human origin? Tell me!”**





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**11:31** They discussed it among themselves & said,  
“If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will ask,  
‘Then why didn’t you believe him?’

**32** But if we say, ‘Of human origin’ . . . ” They feared the people,  
for everyone held that John really was a prophet.

**33** So they answered Jesus, “We don’t know.”  
Jesus said, “Neither will I tell you by what  
authority I am doing these things.”

That sounds like a **WHOLE** of **NOTHING** ... except for **WHO CAME**

If the Sheriff, Texas Rangers, CIA, FBI, & my Pastor **CAME** to my door?

Jesus just **SNUBBED** the Rulers of Jerusalem



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**After this ... Jesus gives more PARABLES**

**After this ... No More Miracles ...**

**No More Casting Out Demons ...**

**No More Healings ...**

**As Jesus gives a few more Parables in Mark 12-16 – 5 more chapters**

**Matthew 21-28 – Luke 20-24 – John 12-21**

**WE SEE things going Down Down HILL ... Religious Elite STRONGER**

**They intend to KILL JESUS ... cause Jesus will ALLOW them to KILL**

**Last Miracle to come – Jesus Rises from the Grave**