

And the children kept crying, *Hosanna to the son of David.*

3. Who was displeased about all of this? (Matthew 21:15)_____
4. When the chief priests spoke to Jesus about what they said; what did Jesus quote out of Psalm 8:2? (Matthew 21:16)_____

At eventide He went out to Bethany with the twelve and lodged there.

JESUS CURSES THE FIG TREE (Matthew 21:18-22; Mark 11:12-14; 20-26)

Jesus, on the following morning, returned to Jerusalem and saw a fig tree which had leaves, but no fruit.

1. Matthew 21:18 says Jesus was hungry. So He cursed the tree because it had no fruit.
 - (a) What did He say to the tree? (Matthew 21:19)_____
 - (b) What happened to the tree? (Matthew 21:19)_____

And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots; and Peter calling to remembrance saith unto Him, Master, behold the fig tree which Thou cursedst is withered away (Mark 11:20,21).

2. In Mark 11:22, 23, what was Jesus' answer?_____

The cursing of this fig tree was just rebuke for having deceived people, but it was a symbol in illustration of the Jewish nation, whose religious life seemed to be flourishing, but there was no real spiritual fruit in it. In Mark 11:23, Jesus began to teach the disciples that they could have that kind of faith.

3. In Mark 11: 23, what did Jesus say would be a hindrance to this kind of faith? _____

Jesus said, *that whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.*

This makes us know we need to be aware that what we say is important. It doesn't matter if it's good or bad! If we know it is God's will, we should speak it into existence.

4. Explain in your own words what Jesus was saying in Mark 11:25, 26. _____

5. So what do we have to do before we can be effective in our praying or speaking the Word to a situation? (Mark 11:25) _____