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Lesson 11 Matthew 21:1-22

Scripture Passage	Look at the Text Understand their Story (p 11-12)	Gospel Connections Connect to His Story (p 12-14)
Scene 1 Matthew 21:1-11 JESUS IS _____	Setting: Mt of Olives & Jerusalem Action: Disciples bring Jesus a donkey & colt. Jesus enters Jerusalem, fulfilling prophecy. Crowds cry "Hosanna to Son of David" Question: City: Who is this? Answer: Crowd: The Prophet Jesus	Mount of Olives: 2 Sam 15:20 - King David's exile & return Zec 14:1-9, 21 - A Future King will stand here. The LORD will be king over the whole earth. <i>(Also, there will no longer be traders in the temple!)</i> King coming on a donkey: Zechariah 9:1-10 compared to Matt 21:5 Jesus comes in peace & humility Hosanna to Son of David: Psalm 118:25-26 - Crowds see him as an earthly king (or prophet) who comes <u>in the name of the Lord</u> .
Scene 2 Matthew 21:12-17 JESUS IS _____	Setting: The Temple Conflict & Action: Jesus drives out traders from the Court of Gentiles & rebukes them. He heals the blind & lame. Children cry, "Hosanna to Son of David" Question: Chief Priests & Scribes: Do you hear what they're saying? Answer: Jesus: Yes - it is written that the children will praise.	A House of Prayer Isaiah 56:1-8 - God invites foreigners and Gentiles to join in worship in the temple: a house of prayer. A Den of Robbers Jeremiah 7:6-15, 20 - People made the temple a den of robbers, therefore God destroyed it. <i>(Also, God poured out his wrath on the trees! & earth)</i> Praise from Infants Psalm 8:2 - Psalm 8 is a song of praise to God as the Creator. Jesus is saying he is God
Scene 3 Matthew 21:18-22 JESUS WILL _____	Setting: Outside Jerusalem Conflict & Action: Jesus looks for figs, finds none so curses the tree & it withers. Question: Disciples: How did the fig tree wither at once? Answer: If you have faith and do not doubt, you can throw 'this mountain' into the sea.	No figs Micah 7:1-2, Jeremiah 8:8-13 God looks for fruit on the vine of Israel and finds none. There is religion but not godliness, so Israel is judged. 'This mountain' ?? Jesus says this while traveling from Mt. of Olives to Jerusalem, so he is likely pointing at the temple mount - which will be judged.
MAIN IDEAS	Jesus enters Jerusalem, clears the temple and curses a fig tree but no one understands fully who He is and what He is doing. People are called to have faith.	Matthew uses OT passages to show that Jesus isn't an earthly king. He is GOD himself, coming in peace, welcoming the foreigners, the blind and the lame, but will judge those who don't produce fruit!

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Reflection: Apply to Our Story (page 15)

- What do we learn about who Jesus is?
- What does Jesus say he has come to do?
- How does Jesus help people to see their need of him?
- What appears to be keeping or have kept people from responding to Jesus?
- What response is Jesus calling from those He meets?

*SO WHAT? How can Matthew 21:1-22 help you become a more deeply rooted follower of Jesus?
What are **you** called to **know** or **do** in this passage?*

Know - Jesus is THE King over all the earth (verses 1-11),
Jesus is Yahweh - the creator God, who heal the blind and the lame and invites all to his house of prayer (v 12-17)
Jesus will judge those who don't bear fruit (v 18-22)

Do - When I pray, I am called to have faith in who He is and do not doubt!!
He is the King! Nothing is outside of his authority; nothing can thwart his plans!
He is the creator - He is all powerful, and invites EVERYONE to join him in Worship.
I must bear fruit!

PRAY IN ADORATION - In light of this passage/lesson, what can I PRAISE God for?

PRAY IN CONFESSION - IN light of this passage/lesson, what do I need to CONFESS or repent of?

PRAY IN SUPPLICATION - In light of this passage/lesson, what can I ask God for?