

John



John 2:13-22

Jesus Cleanses the Temple

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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.

BACKGROUND

AUTHOR

Generally understood to be the disciple John

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THEME

To show that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and that you may believe in Him

KEY VERSES

John 1:1

Introduction

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What is a temple?

A. What did it used to mean?

B. What does temple mean today?

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- What is Jesus' claim about the temple?

- Read 2 Chronicles 7:1-3

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- How do we apply this?

1. It transforms your relationship with God

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2. It transforms your relationship with your own self

18 The Jews then responded to him, “What sign can you show us **to prove your authority** to do all this?” NIV

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3. It transforms your relationship with the world and other people

2 Chronicles 7:1-3**Fire from Heaven**

As soon as Solomon finished his prayer, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices, and the glory of the Lord filled the temple. 2 And the priests could not enter the house of the Lord, because the glory of the Lord filled the Lord's house. 3 When all the people of Israel saw the fire come down and the glory of the Lord on the temple, they bowed down with their faces to the ground on the pavement and worshiped and gave thanks to the Lord, saying, "For he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever."