



Mark 11:12–33 / Pastor Matthew St. John / February 11, 2018

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## Discussion Questions

1. Think of a place you wanted to go or something you wanted to have, but simply could not access or attain. How did you process any grief that arose? How did this loss reframe your perspective?
2. It has been said that Jesus was angry because of the commerce in the Temple. Pastor Matthew suggested Jesus' agitation was at something far different. With Mark 11:15–19 in mind, read Isaiah 56:1–8. What is the real reason Jesus creates such havoc in the Temple? What implications does this have for New Hope Church—especially as we aim to be a community for people from all tongues and tribes?
3. Jesus' comment to the religious leaders about them making the Temple a "den of robbers" (Mark 11:17) suggested they were about hunkering down in a defensive posture and being protectionistic. Do you have a worldview that is protectionistic and defensive, particularly when it comes to people who are different than you? How might you overcome that?
4. In light of Mark 11:12–22, what is the "mountain" Jesus says can be "thrown into the sea" when faith is rightly applied? How does this shape your mission as a disciple of Jesus? What do you need to surrender to better embody Jesus' vision "for all peoples" (Isaiah 56:7) to know Him?

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