

October 27, 2024 *Zeal for the Father's House* John 2:13-25

- 1. Politics Pre-sermon: Discuss these 4 principles and talk about what it means to keep our identity as Christians first in political choices:
  - Steward the opportunity you have been given to vote (1 Peter 2:16-17)
  - Think through the issues and vote based on God's commands and on your conscience (Rom. 14:12)
  - Don't turn people who vote differently into your enemies (John 4:35)
  - Don't place your trust in people, but entrust yourself to the King of the Universe (Psa. 146:3; Phil 1:27, 3:20)
- 2. What does Jesus' reaction to the temple's commercialization reveal about God's view of worship?

Personal response – How can we recognize when our worship is tainted by commercialism or convenience? How does a church community help guard against turning worship into a commodity?

- *3.* What was Jesus' ultimate sign? How does his promise of the resurrection confirm and back up all the rest of his teachings?
- 4. How does the idea of Jesus as the true "temple" impact our understanding of His role in our lives?
- 5. What is the difference between a shallow, sign-based faith and genuine belief that trusts in Jesus Himself? What makes the difference from insufficient belief to true belief in your own life?

## What do we see about Jesus?

Jesus is passionate about the glory of His Father

Jesus is God's true temple

## Respond to the section "what do we see about Jesus?"

- Head: What did you learn / what were you reminded about who Jesus is?
- **Heart:** What specific steps can you take to grow deeper in your relationship with Christ?
- Hands: What ways can you live differently because of these truths?