

Mar 25.18 On Whose Authority?

Read Matthew 21:1-11; Luke 20:1-8

- 1. Who are you in authority over?

- 2. Who is in authority over you?

- 3. What is the difference between *permission* and *authority*?

Jesus and authority

Read Matthew 7:29

- 4. What made the teaching of Jesus stand out from the teaching of others?

The Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

- 5. How do the instructions on fetching a donkey and replying to anyone who questions the disciple’s actions when fetching the critter Jesus express authority of Jesus?

- 6. “The Lord needs it” What does “Lord” mean?

Jesus clears the Temple

- 7. Why did Jesus exercise authority in the Temple when he was not a recognized Pharisee, Scribe or Priest?

Jesus before Pilate

Read John 19:11

- 8. Discuss the tension between the authority of Jesus and the authority of Pilate.

Read Matthew 28:18-20

- 9. “All authority” - This includes God’s authority over you. Before we exercise any spiritual authority, we MUST be fully surrendered to the authority of our Lord and King, Jesus.

- 10. What authority have we been given as followers of Jesus?

- a. James 4:7; Ephesians 6:10-12; 2 Corinthians 10:4; 1 John 4:4; Deuteronomy 28:7-8, 12-13; Isaiah 54:17
