

# Sermon Notes

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## Jesus is Jealous for Pure Worship in the Temple

Matthew 21:12-17

Christian Sanich, 12/7/2014

**Text sermon questions, during the sermon, to (602) 824-8030**

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Detraction and distraction from the temple's purpose

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Possible hints in the OT quotes (Isaiah 56:7, Jeremiah 7:11)

**Is the way you live your life worshipping God?**

**Is it representing Him well to others?**

Why wasn't Jesus arrested?

The blind and the lame were healed by Jesus in the temple.

The chief priests and the scribes are indignant with Jesus

Righteous anger? (ref.: Colossians 3:8, Galatians 5:20)

The blind and lame, and the children, represent trusters of Jesus.

**What are you going to do with what you heard today?**

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## **Application questions for 12/7/2014 sermon Matthew 21:12-17**

God wants the pattern of His people's lives to match what they claim in their worship. Does your life match that you claim to worship Jesus? Explain why or why not.

When people who don't know Jesus very well look at your life, do you think they see a good representation of Jesus and what His followers should be like?

(Those first questions were the ones that were central to the passage, but the message brought up some other opportunities for self-assessment.)

Is your Christmas season too much about something that detracts from you recognizing what the season is truly for? What is that thing?

Are you so distracted with the business of cultural Christmas that you don't worship the Lord, who we are celebrating being coming to the world?

Will you plan to do something about it, like what was suggested in the message?  
(see the next page for ideas, if they didn't hear the sermon or forgot)

Do you struggle with anger?

Do you try to justify it? Maybe not calling it righteous, but you justify it in another way?

Bonus:

Was there anything new or interesting you learned in this sermon?

How about, brainstorm some things that you can do around the holiday to focus you and your family on the gift of Jesus.

How about, give extra to some things that specifically worship Jesus.

How about, build in some stillness, some peace, into your holiday, to celebrate the prince of peace coming to earth.