

Questions on Mark chapter 11

1. Mark states that they came near to Jerusalem. How close to Jerusalem was Bethphage and Bethany? Verse 1.
2. What is significant about the fact that the colt had never been ridden? Verse 2.
3. Do you think the owner of the colt knew Jesus? Verse 3.
4. How was the foreknowledge of Jesus involved in this incident? Verse 4.
5. Did the bystanders make any further objection when the disciples told them what Jesus said to say? Verses 5-6.
6. What was the purpose of the garments on the colt and the garments and tree branches spread upon the way? Verses 7-8.
7. What is the meaning of the word "hosanna"? Verse 9.

8. What bearing does the shout of the people have upon their thought “that the kingdom of God should immediately appear” Verse 10. (See Luke 19:11)

9. What do you think Jesus was doing when He entered Jerusalem and the temple and “looked round about upon all things”? Verse 11.

10. Some have speculated that Jesus spent the night with Mary, Martha, and Lazarus in Bethany. Is there anything that would raise doubt about the accuracy of that? Verse 12. (See Luke 21:37-38)

11. Why would Jesus look for something to eat on a fig tree if the “time of figs was not yet”? Verse 13.

12. Why do you think Mark notes that the disciples heard what Jesus said to the fig tree? Verse 14.

13. Why did Jesus cast the moneychangers and retailers out of the temple and why did He not permit any to carry any vessel through the temple? Verses 15-17.

14. Was the statement that “they feared Him” given as a reason for wanting to destroy Jesus or as a reason for seeking how they might destroy Him? Verses 18-19.

15. If the withering of the fig tree began as soon as it was cursed, why do you think the disciples didn’t notice it when they returned to Bethany in the evening? Verse 20.

16. Which disciple called attention to the withered fig tree? Verse 21.

17. Is the faith by which miracles are wrought by those miraculously endowed merely faith in God or in Christ? Verses 22-23.

18. Was the power to perform miracles, even by those miraculously endowed, without the faith and energy of the individual? Verse 24.

19. Should the disciples curse hypocrites, represented by the fig tree, when they encounter them? Verse 25.

20. What had Jesus done the day before that caused the chief priests, Scribes, and elders to ask him about his authority to do it? Verses 27-28.

21. Why was it foolish and impertinent for them to ask him for His authority? Verse 28.

22. What question did Jesus ask that stymied the chief priests, Scribes, and elders? Verses 29-30.

23. What dilemma did the chief priests, Scribes, and elders face as a result of Jesus' question? Verses 31-32.

24. Instead of choosing either horn of the dilemma posed by Jesus' question, what false and foolish alternative did the chief priests, Scribes, and elders decide upon? Verse 33.