



April 14, 2024

Introduction: _____

John 2:13-16

13 It was nearly time for the Jewish Passover celebration, so Jesus went to Jerusalem. **14** In the Temple area he saw merchants selling cattle, sheep, and doves for sacrifices; he also saw dealers at tables exchanging foreign money.

15 Jesus made a whip from some ropes and chased them all out of the Temple. He drove out the sheep and cattle, scattered the money changers' coins over the floor, and turned over their tables. **16** Then, going over to the people who sold doves, he told them, "Get these things out of here. Stop turning my Father's house into a marketplace!"

John 20:31 But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing in him you will have life by the power of his name.

APPLICATION...

1. What is the _____ celebration
and why are people going to _____?

2. Why are there _____ and
_____?

God has no desire for lips that _____
Him, but hearts that are _____ from Him.

Amos 5:18-24

18 What sorrow awaits you who say, "If only the day of the LORD were here!" You have no idea what you are wishing for. That day will bring darkness, not light. **19** In that day you will be like a man who runs from a lion—only to meet a bear. Escaping from the bear, he leans his hand against a wall in his house—and he's bitten by a snake. **20** Yes, the day of the LORD will be dark and hopeless, without a ray of joy or hope. **21** "I hate all your show and pretense—the hypocrisy of your religious festivals and solemn assemblies. **22** I will not accept your burnt offerings and grain offerings. I won't even notice all your choice peace offerings. **23** Away with your noisy hymns of praise! I will not listen to the music of your harps. **24** Instead, I want to see a mighty flood of justice, an endless river of righteous living.

3. Jesus did not have a _____ outburst
of anger in the temple.

The _____ is not for sale.

John 2:17-22

17 Then his disciples remembered this prophecy from the Scriptures: "Passion for God's house will consume me." **18**



But the Jewish leaders demanded, “What are you doing? If God gave you authority to do this, show us a miraculous sign to prove it.” **19** “All right,” Jesus replied. “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” **20** “What!” they exclaimed. “It has taken forty-six years to build this Temple, and you can rebuild it in three days?” **21** But when Jesus said “this temple,” he meant his own body. **22** After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered he had said this, and they believed both the Scriptures (which prophesied His resurrection) and what Jesus had said.

4. They want the _____ of Jesus, but they did not want Jesus.

John 2:23-25

23 Because of the miraculous signs Jesus did in Jerusalem at the Passover celebration, many began to trust in him. **24** But Jesus didn’t trust them, because he knew all about people. **25** No one needed to tell him about human nature, for he knew what was in each person’s heart.

Conclusion: _____

upcoming events

April 14-28: Soundview Bottle Drive

April 15: Matthew Connect Crew

April 17: Membership Class 7:00 PM

April 19: Youth Group 7:00 PM

April 21: Communion

April 22 Week: Spring Connect Crews Start

April 26: Men's Night 7:00 PM

April 27: Middle Country Community Fair & Music Festival 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM

weekly update

Last week's attendance: 351

Last week's offering: \$7,263.35

Weekly budget: \$5,071.00

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