John 2:12-25 Cleansing of the Temple

Rest (12) - spending time with Jesus (Matthew 11:28)

Responsibility (13-14a)

Going to <u>Jerusalem</u>

Three times per year (Deuteronomy 16:16)

Three great <u>feasts</u> (Passover, Pentecost, Tabernacles)

Gathering at the Temple

Provision for <u>travelers</u> (Deuteronomy 14:24-26)

Proclaiming <u>light</u> to the Gentiles (Isaiah 26:18; 49:6)

Righteous indignation (14-16) (James 1:20-21)

What Jesus found

Money changers

Men selling sheep and doves

What Jesus did

Made a whip to drive out the animals

Money changers tables were overturned

What Jesus said:

"Get these out of here!"

"How dare you turn My Father's house into a market!"

What's going on?

Dishonoring the Father (Leviticus 10:1-2/Deuteronomy 12:31/II Samuel 6:7)

<u>Defrauding</u> His people (II Corinthians 2:17)

Disabling the Gospel (II Kings 5:15-16)

Remembering (17, 22)

Prophecy from <u>Scripture</u> – zeal for Your house (Psalm 69:9)

Zeal must be based on knowledge (Romans 10:2)

Zeal must be consistent (Romans 12:11 / Galatians 4:18)

Prophecy from Jesus - "Destroy this Temple, and I will raise it again in 3 days."

The Temple = His body (I Corinthians 6:19)

The ultimate sign – the Gospel (I Corinthians 15:3-4)

They believed the **Scripture** and the words of Jesus

Reaction (18-23)

Of the Jews

Demanding proof of His authority (John 1:24 / Matthew 12:38-40)

Denying prophecy

Ridicule the content (I Thessalonians 5:20)

Ridicule the messenger (John 8:48)

Of the people – seeking His truth – not trusting in men (Isaiah 2:22)

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