

King and Messiah Week 28 (Matthew 21:23-22:46)

Read Matthew 21:23-22:46

(21:25) What would the religious authorities be admitting if they said John's ministry was divinely inspired?

(21:28-32) What is the difference between the two sons and who do they represent?

(21:33-46) How did Jesus interpret this parable?

Who is the cornerstone and what is significant about that symbolism? (See also Ephesians 2:19-22, Isaiah 28:16, Acts 4:11-12, 1 Peter 2:4-8)

(22:1-14) The religious leaders rejected his teaching and authority. The common people, including the tax collectors and prostitutes, received him gladly. How do you think those listening would have interpreted this story?

Summarize the overall point of these last three parables.

(22:15-39) How do questions sometimes serve as a way to camouflage our resistance to Christ's authority?

(22:37) Spend a few minutes praying, looking for other scriptures, and thinking deeply about this verse. How does it match up to the way you live? How can we ever begin to live to this standard?

(22:39) Who are your neighbors? What does it mean to love them as yourself?

(22:41-46) What was Jesus teaching people about the Son of David? Why was it so hard for them to understand?

Response:

Read Psalm 96 one time through ALOUD over the next 7 days.

What is one truth from Matthew 21:23-22:46 you can meditate on or put into practice this week?

Other observations/questions/reflections on the text: