

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: September 30, 2018
Mark 11:27-33

1. What has been happening in the previous texts that we have studied?
 - a. Jesus told the disciples to go get him a donkey (11:1-6).
 - b. The people laid down cloaks and palm branches and shouted “Hosanna!” as he entered the city of Jerusalem (11:7-10).
 - c. Jesus returned to Bethany with the twelve for the night (11:11).
 - d. Jesus cursed the fig tree on the way back into Jerusalem (11:12-14).
 - e. Jesus cleared the temple (11:15-17).
 - f. The chief priests and the teachers of the law heard this and began looking for a way to kill him (11:18).
 - g. Jesus and his disciples left the city again...and in the morning, they noticed the fig tree that He had cursed had withered and he taught them about faith (11:19-25).

2. What happened in verse 27, at the beginning of this text?
 - a. They arrived in Jerusalem.
 - b. Jesus walked in the temple courts.
 - c. The chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders came to him.
 - d. They asked him by what authority he was doing the things that he had been doing.

3. How did Jesus respond?
 - a. He answered their question...“God, of course.”
 - b. He asked them a question?

4. How was Jesus’ question different from theirs? _____

5. Why was Jesus’ question so challenging, according to verses 31-32? _____

6. How did they finally answer the question? _____

7. Do you think that they liked it when Jesus asked this question? Yes_____ No_____ Explain. _____

8. What might have happened in the coming verses, if they had allowed these questions to change their thinking and their actions? _____

9. Are you ever faced with a question that you don’t like the answer to (see also 2 Samuel 12:1-10)? _____

10. Do you have someone in your life who you have given permission to ask hard questions like this without fear of your angry response? Yes_____ No_____ Who? _____

11. Do you meet with them regularly? _____
12. How do you respond to their feedback and questioning? _____