

John 2:12–17 After this he went down to Capernaum with his mother and brothers and his disciples. There they stayed for a few days.

When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple courts he found men selling cattle, sheep and doves,

and others sitting at tables exchanging money. So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple area, both sheep and cattle;

he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here!

How dare you turn my Father's house into a market!" His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me."

Luke 2:42–49 When he was twelve years old, they went up to the Feast, according to the custom. After the Feast was over, while his parents were returning home,

the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. Thinking he was in their company, they traveled on for a day.

Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him.

After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions.

Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him,

“Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you.”

“Why were you searching for me?” he asked. “Didn’t you know I had to be in my Father’s house?”

Psalm 84:10 Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

1. Jesus takes a whip in His hand.

Leviticus 5:7 If he cannot afford a lamb, he is to bring two doves or two young pigeons to the LORD as a penalty for his sin—one for a sin offering and the other for a burnt offering.

John 2:16 To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here! How dare you turn my Father's house into a market!"

Mark 1:10–11 As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove.

And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

Luke 4:18 "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor."

1. Jesus takes a whip in His hand.
2. Jesus takes a whip on His back.

John 2:18–25 Then the Jews demanded of him, "What miraculous sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?" Jesus answered them,

"Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days." The Jews replied, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?"

But the temple he had spoken of was his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said.

Then they believed the Scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken. Now while he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many people saw the miraculous signs he was doing

and believed in his name. But Jesus would not entrust himself to them, for he knew all men.

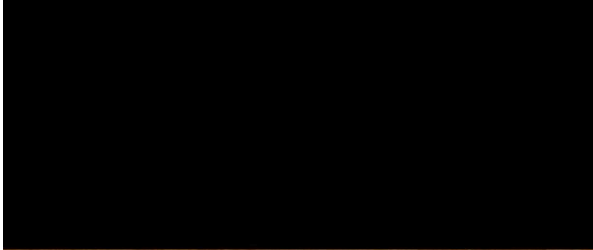
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4. "Turn over the tables" if it's needed.