

The Messiah

a study of the Gospel according to Matthew / 21:23-32

“What do you _____?” (28a)

When it comes to believing in the Lord ...

1. What do you think about the Savior’s _____?

a. The _____.

Jesus entered the temple courts, and, while He was teaching, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to Him.

“By what authority are You doing these things?” they asked.

“And who gave You this authority?” (23)

b. The _____.

Jesus replied, “I will also ask you one question. If you answer Me, I will tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

John’s baptism - where did it come from? Was it from heaven, or of human origin?” They discussed it among themselves and said,

“If we say, ‘From heaven,’ He will ask, ‘Then why didn’t you believe him?’ But if we say, ‘Of human origin’ – we are afraid of the people, for they all hold that John was a prophet.” So they answered Jesus,

“We don’t know.” Then He said, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.” (24-27)

* “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.” (Matt 28:18b)

2. What do you think about the sons’ _____?

a. The _____.

“**What do you think?** There was a man who had two sons. He went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work today in the vineyard.’ ‘I will not,’ he answered, but later *he changed his mind and went*. Then the father went to the other son and said the same thing. He answered, ‘I will sir,’ but he did not go. Which of the two did what his father wanted?”

“The first,” they answered. (28-31c)

b. The _____.

Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, *the tax collectors*

and the prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you.

For John came to you to show you the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes did. And even after you saw this, you did not repent and believe him.” (31d-32)

* ... faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. (James 2:17)

So, what do you think?

AND what are you _____?

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