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18 So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" 19 Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." 20 The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" 21 But he was speaking about the temple of his body. 22 When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The First Passover...2:13-17

What does Jesus *observe* in the temple during Passover? **2:13-14** Comment?

What *action* does Jesus take then? **2:15; Mk.11:15-18; Lu.19:45-48; Ex.30:12-14**

What does He also *do* to the vendors of pigeons? **2:16; Lev.5:7, 11, 12:7-8; Lu.2:21-24**

From a *human* perspective, what's so *amazing* about this event? **2:13-16; see 18:3-6**

What do His disciples remember relative to this event? **2:17; Ps.69:8-9 see Gal.1:19**

The sign of His authority...2:18-22

Afterwards, what do the *Jews* request? **2:18, 6:29-30; ICor.1:20-25 see Mal.3:1-4**

And what is His *astonishing* reply? **2:19** Their '*understanding*' of this? **2:20; Mk.14:57-58**

But what was Jesus *actually* saying? **2:21; ICor.3:16-17; IICor.6:14-18; Eph.2:19-22**

What about His disciples? Did they understand? **2:22, 20:1-10, 24-29**

What do *you* think is most important about this event?

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What does Jesus *observe* in the temple during Passover? **2:13-14** Comment?

He found those selling oxen/sheep/pigeons as well as the money changers (exchangers).

What *action* does Jesus take then? **2:15; Mk.11:15-18; Lu.19:45-48; Ex.30:12-14**

He makes a whip, drove ALL out, w/sheep/oxen. Poured out coins/overturned tables!

What does He also *do* to the vendors of pigeons? **2:16; Lev.5:7, 11, 12:7-8; Lu.2:21-24**

He demands they 'take these things away; do not make my Father's house a business'!

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Jesus acted alone (no help). No evident resistance! Perhaps guilt? Deity authority!

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Ps.69:8-9 describes this. Even His brothers 'disowns' Him! The shame of all -> Him!

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What sign do you show for doing these things? That is, what is your authority in this?

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Destroy this temple and in 3 days I will raise it up! Assumed He meant the temple bldg.

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He was speaking of the temple of His body. Resurrection would be His 'authority'/God!

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Only after the resurrection did they understand the Scripture and Jesus' Words.

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