

CONFRONTATION OVER JESUS' AUTHORITY
(Matthew 21:23-32)

- I. The _____ (Matt. 21:23)
 - A. While Jesus was _____ in the _____
 - B. Issued by the “ _____ and _____ ”
 - C. Questioned His _____
 - 1. “By _____ authority are You doing _____?”
 - 2. “ _____ gave _____ this authority?”

- II. The _____ (Matt. 21:24-27)
 - A. Offered to answer _____ question if they would answer _____
 - B. Asked “From whence came the _____ and _____ of John?”
 - 1. Not a simple _____ for their _____
 - 2. But a challenge to _____ the _____
 - C. Forced them to _____ their _____
 - 1. To say “from _____,” would bring _____ condemnation for failing to _____
 - 2. To say “from _____,” would cause the _____ to condemn them for denying John was a _____

3. Decided to _____, “We _____”

D. Refused to give them _____

III. The _____ (Matt. 21:28-31a)

A. Jesus says that a man with two sons tells _____ to go work the day in the _____

1. The older said, “_____,” then _____ it and _____

2. The younger said, “_____, sir,” then did _____

B. Jesus asks, “_____ of the two _____ the will of his father?”

C. They answer, “The _____”

IV. The _____ (Matt. 21:31b-32)

A. Starts with “Truly, _____ say to _____ ...”

B. Pronounces their _____

1. Tax collectors and prostitutes will get _____

2. The chief priests and elders _____

C. Explains the _____ of their _____

1. They _____ to believe _____

2. The tax collectors and prostitutes _____

3. The Jewish leaders felt no _____ and refused to _____ from their _____