

GOD NEVER SAID THAT

WEEK 4 | FAITH | MARK 11:12-26

INSPECTION: WHAT DOES IT SAY?

To whom did the temple belong, and for what purpose did it exist?

What was the attitude of the chief priests and the teachers of the law toward Jesus?

Who spoke to Jesus about the withered fig tree?

What did Jesus say “faith in God” was able to accomplish?

What can stand in the way of our sins being forgiven?

OBSERVATION: WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

How do we see the human side of Jesus in the text?

What significance does the fig tree “withered from the roots” play in the story?

How had the Jewish nation reflected the withered fig tree?

Is the lack of faith a “heart” issue or a “head” issue?

What is the relationship between prayer and faith?

LIFE APPLICATION: WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR ME?

How do you handle the disappointments that others cause in your life? How should you handle them?

How do you keep your inward temple clean for the Master’s use?

Consider if your outward deeds match your inward faith.

What possibilities of your life are limited by your faith?

Read the book of James this week and note the many similarities from our text today.

MEDITATION: WHAT DOES GOD SAY?

Hebrews 11:6

Romans 10:17

Proverbs 3:5-6

Galatians 2:16

James 5:14-16

Ephesians 3:16-17

1 Corinthians 16:13

1 Peter 1:7

SUPPLICATION: WHAT CAN WE MEDITATE?

Faith of Our Fathers

Faith of our fathers, living still,
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious Word!

Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,
Were still in heart and conscience free;
How sweet would be their children's fate,
If they, like them, could die for Thee!

Faith of our fathers, we will strive
To win all nations unto Thee;
And through the truth that comes from God,
We all shall then be truly free.

Faith of our fathers, we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife;
And preach Thee, too, as love knows how
By kindly words and virtuous life

Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to Thee till death.

Frederick W. Faber (1814 – 1863)