

**June 26, 2022**

The Gospel of John  
Jesus is the Temple  
John 2:13-25

Following His first sign in Cana, Jesus travels to Jerusalem via Capernaum. Jerusalem is preparing to celebrate the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread. At this first Passover mentioned in John's gospel, Jesus intensifies His public ministry. He does so in dramatic fashion. Using a whip Jesus drives the moneychangers and merchants out of the temple. When His authority is questioned, Jesus responds with an enigmatic challenge, "destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." Jesus is stating that He is the true temple and the final sacrifice will be made in His body.

**Additional Verses:**

Matthew 26:57-68  
1 Corinthians 3:16-17  
1 Peter 2:4-8

John 6:25-40  
Ephesians 2:18-22

**Notes:**

Jesus is the true temple of God.

**Study Questions:**

1. Why is Jesus concerned about worship? How does this inform how you worship?

2. How is Jesus present in the Passover meal? Why do believers not celebrate Passover today?

3. How is Jesus the temple of God? Why is it necessary for Jesus to be temple of God? How does this relate to His sacrifice on the cross?

4. Where does the temple of God now reside? Since the temple of God is where God meets with his people, trace that idea from the Garden of Eden to now and to eternity.

5. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?