

# Turning the Tables

Behold and Become Series

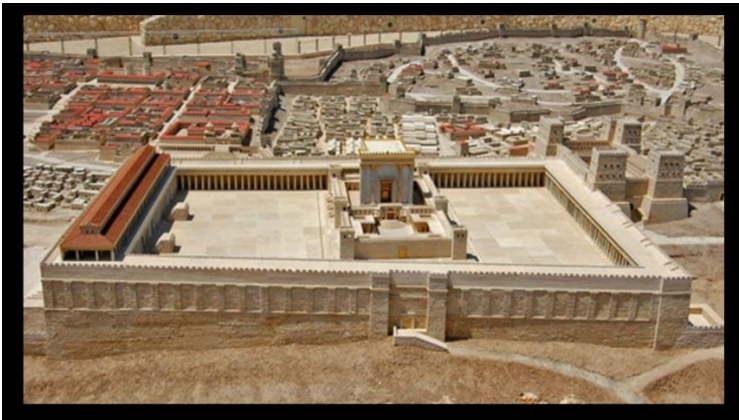
## Passover

It was nearly time for the Jewish Passover celebration, so Jesus went to Jerusalem.  
John 2:13 (NLT2)

## MINISTRY PROBLEM

In the Temple area he saw merchants selling cattle, sheep, and doves for sacrifices; he also saw dealers at tables exchanging foreign money. Jesus made a whip from some ropes and chased them all out of the Temple. He drove out the sheep and cattle, scattered the money changers' coins over the floor, and turned over their tables. John 2:14-15 (NLT)

## Herod's Temple



## FATHER'S HOUSE

### JESUS REBUKES THE BUSINESS

Then, going over to the people who sold doves, he told them, "Get these things out of here. Stop turning my Father's house into a marketplace!" John 2:16 (NLT2)

### MIXED UP MINISTRY

The Temple was for all people to have access to God  
The ease of access to sacrificial goods and big money took priority over God's intention

## Passion

Then his disciples remembered this prophecy from the Scriptures: "Passion for God's house will consume me." John 2:17 (NLT2)

## Who Are You to Act with Authority?

But the Jewish leaders demanded, “What are you doing? If God gave you authority to do this, show us a miraculous sign to prove it.” John 2:18 (NLT2)

## Three Days

“All right,” Jesus replied. “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” “What!” they exclaimed. “It has taken forty-six years to build this Temple, and you can rebuild it in three days?”

But when Jesus said “this temple,” he meant his own body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered he had said this, and they believed both the Scriptures and what Jesus had said. John 2:19-22 (NLT2)

## Miraculous Signs Led to Trust

Because of the miraculous signs Jesus did in Jerusalem at the Passover celebration, many began to trust in him. John 2:23 (NLT2)

## Jesus Didn't Trust Them

But Jesus didn't trust them, because he knew human nature. No one needed to tell him what mankind is really like. John 2:24-25 (NLT2)

## JESUS TURNED THE TABLES

- God's concern is true worship, not handy human religious marketing.
- Jesus' passion at Passover, leads to the passion of the cross.
- Jesus acts miraculously even when the list is not complete.