

## Small Group Study Notes

### Mark 11:12-25

1. What is the primary reason Jesus is so angry with what he sees taking place in the temple?
2. Is there anything that is equivalent in the church at large today or in our church in particular?
3. Here we have one of Mark's "sandwiches". One story is broken into two halves and a second story is placed in the middle. What are we being taught about the temple from the story of the cursing of the fig tree?
4. There is obviously a play going on here between show (leaves) and fruit. Jesus is into fruit not show. So what sort of show can we Christians be guilty of and what sort of fruit should we be producing.
5. Why an absence of resentment so important when it comes to praying (v25)?
6. How literally can we take verse 24? And if less than completely literally how do we maintain the integrity of the Word while at the same time making good sense of the words?
7. What are the verses of the bible that undergird your understanding of prayer?
8. In what ways do verses 24 & 25 help form your understanding of how to pray?