

# WEEK 2: Tables Overturned: The King with Righteous Anger

## GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

### PREPARE

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### MAIN POINT

The gentle Jesus who welcomed children now fashions a whip and clears the temple. Not a contradiction, but the same passion—to see people encounter His grace. He wanted everything that got in the way of people encountering Him removed, everything that dishonored Him turned over. In His holiness and grace, He still cleanses us, still turns over tables in our lives. His righteous anger is still good for us.

### LEAN IN BREAK THE ICE

**What is one of your biggest pet peeves? What is it about that thing that annoys you so much?**

### LOOK DOWN LOOK AT GOD'S WORD

**Read Mark 11:15-19.**

**In verse 15, the verse says that Jesus throws out those buying and selling. Why?**

**In Mark 11:17, Jesus quotes Jeremiah 7:11 when he says, “Is it not written, My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations? But you have made it a den of thieves!” What does Jesus mean by this?**

**At one point in the sermon, Eric talked about how anger and love are not opposites. How do we see that in Jesus and His actions here in this passage?**

LOOK OUT  
IDENTIFY THE  
RELEVANCE OF GOD'S  
WORD IN THE WORLD

**In this passage, we see Jesus display some righteous anger. What is the difference between righteous or unrighteous anger?**

**In his sermon, Eric talked about how our bodies are a temple. What does it look like to live as if your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit?**

**In what ways can we make our local church community more welcoming and inviting to people who may be new or unsure about coming to church?**

LOOK IN  
APPLY GOD'S WORD  
TO YOUR LIFE

**In his sermon, Eric listed five different “tables” we may need overturned in our lives—the tables of approval, control, comfort, bitterness, and busyness. Which of these needs to be overturned in your life?**

**In what ways can you treat your body more like the temple of the Holy Spirit that it is?**

**What in your life interferes most with your ability to worship God from your heart?**