## The 2<sup>nd</sup> Cleansing of the Temple

Matthew 21:12-13 (series #117)

Intro: the first cleansing of the temple in John 2:12-22

- After changing water into wine v. 12
- At the time of Passover v. 13
- Because of corrupt commercialism vv. 14-16
- Would lead to His death v. 17
- Misunderstood by the Jewish leaders vv. 18-21
- Later understood by the disciples v. 22
- I. The Action of Cleansing the Temple v. 12
  - A. The problem wasn't the money changing
  - B. The problem was the corruption
- II. The Reason for Cleansing the Temple v. 13
  - A. It was to be a house of prayer Isa 56:7
  - B. It had become a den of thieves Jer. 7:11

Conclusion: God eventually moved out - 23:37-38