



March 8, 2020 – Rick Myatt



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6th in a Series on Difficult Sayings of Jesus Titled, "What Did He Say?"

Passage: Matthew 21:18-22 - Topic: The Authority of Jesus Christ

This past Sunday, Rick continued his sermon series aimed at understanding some of the more confusing teachings of Jesus Christ. This time we looked at the passage where Jesus demonstrates authority over a tree, and he seems to threaten a mountain.

Rick explained that it was nothing personal with the fig tree. Jesus was being challenged by the Pharisees at every turn on that trip to Jerusalem. The fig tree represented Israel's rejection of the Messiah, and Jesus' predicted judgment upon Israel for it.

Rick then explained that when He said if they told this mountain to be thrown into the sea, it would be, that "*this* mountain" referred to Zion, where they stood at the time, which was the holiest spot in the land. Jesus meant that no matter how preposterous, God had the power to do a thing and could do it.

Rick pointed out that unlike Amazon, God does not require us to pay for purchases, but He won't deliver things to us that are not good for us.

In closing, Rick gave us three suggestions:

- *Believe* that Jesus is Lord - and *nothing* is too difficult for Him.
- *Submit* to Jesus as Lord - don't forget you are not as smart as God.
- *Trust* Jesus as Lord - without doubting. Jesus is Lord of everything. We don't have to worry.