



I Am A Jesus Follower Because...

Stories of Lived Experiences

Part 6: The Withered Fig Tree

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Markan Sandwich: This is the technique whereby Mark interrupts a story with what appears to be an unrelated story. The pattern is A1 – B – A2.

1. Bread - Mark 11:12-14 The Fig Tree

2. The Meat - Mark 11:15-19 Cleansing the Temple

9 Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, “Hosanna!” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” 10 “Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!” “Hosanna in the highest heaven!” 11 Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courts. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the Twelve. - Mark 11:9-11 NIV

And as he taught them, he said, “Is it not written: ‘My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations’? But you have made it ‘a den of robbers.’” - Mark 11:17 NIV

3. Bread - Mark 11:20-25 The Withered Fig Tree.

22 “Have faith in God,” Jesus answered. 23 “Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, ‘Go, throw yourself into the sea,’ and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them. 24 Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. 25 And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive them, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins.”

Salvation Prayer:

Dear Jesus: I repent of my sin. Please be my Savior and Lord. In Jesus' Name, Amen

