

# THE BEGINNING OF THE LAST WEEK

Pastor Stephen Baker / Harmony Church

Study of Mark / Mark 11:1-26

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## I. Palm Sunday: Jesus Enters Jerusalem. (1-11)

They were chanting [Psalm 118](#) which is a Psalm about the Messiah.

## II. Monday: The Barren Fig Tree is Cursed. (12-14)

The barren fig tree is a picture of Israel who has failed to bring forth fruit to God. It has the leaves (appearance) of religious piety and devotion. But it yields no spiritual fruit.

## III. Monday: Jesus Casts the Profiteers Out of the Temple. (15-19)

These merchants worked in the “Court of the Gentiles” and the doves that were sold were the sacrifice of the poor. The priests got part of the profit. This was a poor testimony and made it seem to visitors that the Jewish religion was all about making money. That was a poor reflection on God. Jesus had also cleansed the temple of these profiteers early in His ministry. ([John 2:13-22](#))

## IV. Tuesday: Jesus Teaches the Disciples About Faith & Forgiveness. (20-26)