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session 9

WAY MAKER

as you GO

These are simple questions to ask your student as you go home from church or go about your weekly activities.

.01 How do you typically respond when someone is in your way or preventing you from doing something?

.02 What's the heaviest thing you think you can lift without help?

family DEVOTION

Consider following up with your student later in the week with the following summary and discussion questions.

summary: MARK 11:11-25

When Jesus and the disciples arrived in Jerusalem, He took a look around, then headed back to Bethany for the night. The next day, He returned to the temple—but along the way, they had a strange encounter where Jesus cursed a fig tree for not having fruit on it. At the temple, Jesus started to overturn tables and chase out those who had turned the court of the Gentiles into a marketplace. It was supposed to be a place of worship, but it had become a place of business transactions. As they left the city, Peter noticed that the fig tree had completely withered. Just as the tree was destroyed for its lack of fruit, the religious system was destined to fail because it was no longer serving its purpose.

discussion QUESTIONS

.01 What was the problem with the trade happening in the temple?

.02 What are some ways you have noticed people using religion for their own purposes instead of worshiping God?

PRAY: Ask God to show you any ways that you have turned away from true worship and ways that you might be using religion as a way of getting what you want.

memorize: MARK 11:17CENTRAL
truth

Jesus restores our
connection with God.

LEADER
challenge

Challenge your student to use the Daily Devotions provided in their *Daily Discipleship Guide* to study God's Word this week. These are the passages covered in this week's devotions.

DAY 1 MARK 11:11

DAY 2 MARK 11:12-14

DAY 3 MARK 11:15-19

DAY 4 MARK 11:20-25

DAY 5 MATTHEW 5:23-24

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