

WORKOUT

JOHN 2:1-25

Believe
and
LIVE
THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Read John 2:1-25.

POUNDER

Consider the significance of the temple to those who worship the Lord.

- What did the temple represent for the people of Israel? (see 2 Chronicles 7:3)
- What was the purpose of the temple? (see Isaiah 56:7)
- Resource: Read this Ligonier [article](#) on the temple of Jesus' body.

Consider Jesus' answer to the Jews' question in verses 18-19.

- What does the Jews' question reveal about their attitude toward Jesus? Read Matthew 12:38-41 for Jesus' indictment of those who seek a sign.
- Jesus offers a sign: destroy the temple and He will raise it back up. John's commentary in verse 21 tells us that Jesus is not talking about the physical temple, but about His own body. What can we learn from this declaration?
 - Read cross references for this verse in John 1:14, 1 Corinthians 6:19, Colossians 2:9, and John 14:10-11.
- In verse 22, John says that the disciples remembered this interaction after Jesus was raised from the dead and believed the word He had spoken. Ponder your own discipleship journey. How has your belief in Him deepened the longer you have followed Jesus?

Pray Holistically

PRAY

Read John 2:11 and John 1:14. Praise God that in Christ, He has allowed us to see His glory.

- Jesus, in your incarnation you have made your glory visible to us. You have allowed us to see your majestic and wonderful works. We know that the heavens are telling of your glory. Open our eyes to see and behold you.

Pray Personally

Read John 2:22. Ask God to deepen your belief in Jesus and His Word.

- Father, thank you that I can trust in the Word you have spoken. Where I still have unbelief, please help me. As I grow to see more of who you are, deepen my trust in you.
- Confess any specific areas of your life where you struggle to trust God and His promises. Pray like the father in Mark 9:24, "I believe, help my unbelief!"

Because we have access to the Father, pray. 1 Thessalonians 5:17 tells us to "pray without ceasing." Evaluate your typical patterns of prayer. Do you pray more when you or someone else needs something? Do you pray the same things every time you pray? Do you only pray at meals and before bed? Do you tell people that you will pray for them more often than you actually pray for others?

Make a plan to spend time in prayer every day.

- When will you pray? In the morning, on a lunch break, on an afternoon walk, before bed, or a combination of these? Make yourself a reminder on your phone or on a Post-it.
- What will you pray?
 - Pray in adoration of who God is, in confession of sin, and in thanksgiving of what God has done.
 - Choose a passage of Scripture, such as a psalm, to pray through each day.
- What will you pray for?
 - Make a list of needs and requests from your family or Go Groups.
 - Pray for specific individuals who do not know Jesus.
 - Pray for your church family and elders.