

Passion Week—Jesus' Authority Challenged (Tuesday, March 31, 33)

Matthew 21:23–27	Mark 11:27–33	Luke 20:1–8
<p>23 When He entered the temple,</p> <p>the chief priests and the elders of the people came to Him while He was teaching, and said, “By what authority are You doing these things, and who gave You this authority?”</p> <p>24 Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one thing, which if you tell Me, I will also tell you by what authority I do these things.</p> <p>25 “The baptism of John was from what <i>source</i>, from heaven or from men?”</p> <p>And they <i>began</i> reasoning among themselves, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ He will say to us, ‘Then why did you not believe him?’</p> <p>26 “But if we say, ‘From men,’ we fear the people; for they all regard John as a prophet.”</p> <p>27 And answering Jesus, they said, “We do not know.” He also said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.</p>	<p>27 They came again to Jerusalem. And as He was walking in the temple,</p> <p>the chief priests and the scribes and the elders came to Him,</p> <p>28 and <i>began</i> saying to Him, “By what authority are You doing these things, or who gave You this authority to do these things?”</p> <p>29 And Jesus said to them, “I will ask you one question, and you answer Me, and <i>then</i> I will tell you by what authority I do these things.</p> <p>30 “Was the baptism of John from heaven, or from men? Answer Me.”</p> <p>31 They <i>began</i> reasoning among themselves, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ He will say, ‘Then why did you not believe him?’</p> <p>32 “But shall we say, ‘From men?’— they were afraid of the people, for everyone considered John to have been a real prophet.</p> <p>33 Answering Jesus, they said, “We do not know.” And Jesus said to them, “Nor will I tell you by what authority I do these things.”</p>	<p>1 On one of the days while He was teaching the people in the temple and preaching the gospel, the chief priests and the scribes with the elders confronted <i>Him</i>,</p> <p>2 and they spoke, saying to Him, “Tell us by what authority You are doing these things, or who is the one who gave You this authority?”</p> <p>3 Jesus answered and said to them, “I will also ask you a question, and you tell Me:</p> <p>4 “Was the baptism of John from heaven or from men?”</p> <p>5 They reasoned among themselves, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ He will say, ‘Why did you not believe him?’</p> <p>6 “But if we say, ‘From men,’ all the people will stone us to death, for they are convinced that John was a prophet.”</p> <p>7 So they answered that they did not know where <i>it came</i> from.</p> <p>8 And Jesus said to them, “Nor will I tell you by what authority I do these things.”</p>

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