

# MATTHEW

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## Read Matthew 21:23-32 Together

As Jesus brings his ministry to Jerusalem, his authority is questioned by the chief priests. In response, Jesus tells a parable about two sons: one who says the right thing, and one who does the right thing. What is God really looking for in his children?

## Discussion Questions

1. Why do you think the chief priests were more concerned with where Jesus derived his authority than whether or not what he was doing was right or wrong?
2. How does this parable paint the “tax collectors and prostitutes”? In what ways is this shocking? In what ways is this in line with the ministry of Jesus?
3. Why is it oftentimes easier to say the right thing than to do the right thing? How is this attitude reflected in our culture?