

~ **WHAT ABOUT YOU - ANY REGRETS?** ~

Matthew 21:28-32

INTRODUCTION: During Jesus' final week in Jerusalem He was challenged by the religious leaders who sought to discredit Him before the people. They very quickly discovered that they had bitten off more than they could chew. Having discredited them by exposing their incompetence to lead, He now follows up with three parables, each one revealing, not only their incompetence but also their total religious hypocrisy. Jesus' first of three parables is designed to directly show their lack of truth and zeal for the things of God. They had a bold outward profession and public display of righteousness, but they were void of a genuine relationship with God manifested by their refusal to believe and obey His Word. For everyone who professes faith in Jesus Christ, the one thing needful is the actual doing the will of God. As John Stott says in Authentic Christianity, "*Greatness in the Kingdom of God is measured in terms of obedience.*"

A. THE PARABLE _____ - vvs 28, 30

1. THE _____ COMMAND

A. IT WAS _____

B. IT WAS _____

C. IT WAS _____

2. THE _____ RESPONSE - vvs. 29-30

A. THE _____ SON - v. 29

▶ HIS _____

▶ HIS _____

B. THE _____ SON - v. 29

▶ HIS _____

▶ HIS _____

B. THE PARABLE _____

1. TO THE _____ THEN

A. THE _____ ASKED

B. THE _____ GIVEN

C. THE _____ MADE

2. TO THE _____ TODAY

A. THE _____ LESSON

B. THE _____ LESSON

CONCLUSION: