The Parable of the Two Sons

Matthew 21:12-17

Jesus at the Temple

12 Jesus entered the temple courts and drove out all
who were buying and selling there. He overturned the
tables of the money changers and the benches of those
selling doves. 13 "It is written," he said to them, "'My
house will be called a house of prayer,' but you are
making it 'a den of robbers.'" 14 The blind and the lame
came to him at the temple, and he healed them. 15 But
when the chief priests and the teachers of the law saw
the wonderful things he did and the children shouting in
the temple courts, "Hosanna to the Son of David," they
were indignant. 16 "Do you hear what these children are
saying?" they asked him. "Yes," replied Jesus, "have you
never read, "'From the lips of children and infants you,
Lord, have called forth your praise'?" 17 And he left them
and went out of the city to Bethany, where he spent the
night.

Israel rejected Jesus as her Messiah and King.

Jesus demonstrated that He was Messiah and King.

1) Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey.

See Zechariah 9:9

Matthew 21:23-27

The Authority of Jesus Questioned

23 Jesus entered the temple courts, and, while he was
teaching, the chief priests and the elders of the people
came to him. "By what authority are you doing these
things?" they asked. "And who gave you this
authority?" 24 Jesus replied, "I will also ask you one
question. If you answer me, I will tell you by what
authority I am doing these things. 25 John's baptism—
where did it come from? Was it from heaven, or of
human origin?" They discussed it among themselves
and said, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will ask, 'Then
why didn't you believe him?' 26 But if we say, 'Of human
origin'—we are afraid of the people, for they all hold
that John was a prophet." 27 So they answered Jesus,
"We don't know." Then he said, "Neither will I tell you
by what authority I am doing these things.

2) Jesus cleansed the temple.

See Isaiah 56:7

Matthew 21:28-32

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28 "What do you think? There was a man who had two
sons. He went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work
today in the vineyard.' 29 "'I will not,' he answered, but
later he changed his mind and went. 30 "Then the father
went to the other son and said the same thing. He
answered, 'I will, sir,' but he did not go. 31 "Which of the
two did what his father wanted?" "The first," they
answered. Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax
collectors and the prostitutes are entering the kingdom
of God ahead of you. 32 For John came to you to show
you the way of righteousness, and you did not believe
him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes did. And
even after you saw this, you did not repent and believe
him.

3) Jesus healed the blind and lame.

See Matthew 11:4-5