

The Authority of Jesus Is Challenged

When Jesus returned to the Temple and began teaching, the leading priests and elders came up to him. They demanded, "By what authority are you doing all these things? Who gave you the right?" Matthew 21:23 (NLT)



Complete the activity below.

A number of words have been removed from the text and placed in a word bank. Use the words from the word bank to fill in the blanks in the text. Write the words in the blanks provided.

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1. One day Jesus was _____ in the Temple.
2. The chief priests and elders asked Jesus, "Where do you get your _____?"
3. Jesus said, "I will tell you if you will answer one _____."
4. Jesus asked, "Was John's authority to _____ from heaven, or was it from men?"
5. If they answered, "From men," people would be angry because they believed John was a _____.
6. If they answered, "From heaven," Jesus would ask why they didn't _____ John's teaching.
7. Their _____ was, "We don't know."
8. Jesus replied, "Then I will not _____ you where I get my authority."

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