

Luke 19:45-48 (English Standard Version)

Jesus Cleanses the Temple

^{45(A)} And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold, ⁴⁶ saying to them, "It is written, ^(B) 'My house shall be a house of prayer,' but ^(C) you have made it a den of robbers."

^{47(D)} And he was teaching daily in the temple. ^(E) The chief priests and the scribes and the principal men of the people were seeking to destroy him, ⁴⁸ but they did not find anything they could do, for all the people were hanging on his words.

The background of Luke is that he wrote this so that his readers would understand that the gospel is for everyone. He also emphasized the truthfulness of the Christian traditions.

The main idea of Luke 19:45-48, is that Jesus enters the temple and cleanses the temple, saying that his "house of prayer" should not be for those who were using it to exploit the worshipers of God.

Some interesting observations are that "he" is referred to "the temple" by entered, in verses 46 and 48 they both have the word "but".

It applies to us today, because it shows us that even though other people try to keep you away from Jesus, we should know that he is here with you and that he will get you through tough times.