

# Divin' In – Wednesday Night Bible Study

THE CHURCH OF THE SPRINGS – 4/9/25

*"Then the LORD God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat fruit from every tree of the orchard, but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will surely die.' .....Then the eyes of both of them opened, and they knew they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves."*

– from **Genesis 2:16-17, 3:7** NET



## It Looks Good, But....



**TAQSH on  
a Fig Tree**

### **1 Kings 4:25** CSB

"Throughout Solomon's reign, Judah and Israel lived in **safety** from Dan to Beer-sheba, each person under his own vine and his own fig tree."

### **Micah 4:3-4** NLT [a prophecy of Godly future]

"The Lord will **mediate** between peoples and will settle disputes between strong nations far away. They will hammer their swords into **plowshares** and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will no longer fight against nation, nor train for **war** anymore. Everyone will live in **peace** and prosperity, enjoying their own grapevines and fig trees, for there will be nothing to **fear**. The Lord of Heaven's Armies has made this promise!"

### **Jeremiah 8:11-13** CSB

"They have treated the brokenness of my dear people superficially, claiming, 'Peace, peace,' when there is no peace. Were they **ashamed** when they acted so detestably? They weren't at all ashamed. They can no longer feel humiliation. Therefore, they will fall among the fallen. When I **punish** them, they will collapse," says the Lord. "I will gather them and bring them to an end." This is the Lord's declaration. "There will be no grapes on the vine, no figs on the fig tree, and even the leaf will wither. Whatever I have given them will be lost to them."

### **Mark 11:12-13, 20-26** LSB [This is the day after Palm Sunday]

"And on the next day, when they had left Bethany, [Jesus] became hungry. And seeing at a distance a fig tree that had leaves, He went to see if perhaps He would find anything on it; and when He came to it, He found nothing but **leaves**, for it was not the season for figs. And He answered and said to it, 'May no one ever eat fruit from you again!' And His disciples were listening.....[Then Jesus goes and clears the Temple.]... And as they were passing by [the next] morning, they saw the fig tree withered from the roots. And being reminded, Peter said to Him, 'Rabbi, look, the fig tree which You cursed has **withered**.' And Jesus answered and said to them, 'Have faith in God. Truly I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says is going to happen, it will be granted him. For this reason I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, **believe** that you have received them, and they will be granted to you. And whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father who is in heaven will also forgive you your **transgressions**. [But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father who is in heaven forgive your transgressions.]'"

### **Luke 13:6-9** NLT

"Then Jesus told this story: 'A man planted a fig tree in his garden and came again and again to see if there was any fruit on it, but he was always **disappointed**. Finally, he said to his gardener, 'I've waited **3** years, and there hasn't been a single fig! Cut it down. It's just taking up space in the garden.' The gardener answered, 'Sir, give it one more chance. Leave it another year, and I'll give it special attention and plenty of **fertilizer**. If we get figs next year, fine. If not, then you can **cut** it down.'"

