
THIS IS MY *House*





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**Most people don't
have a space problem**

They have a storage problem



This is **not** what this space was made for



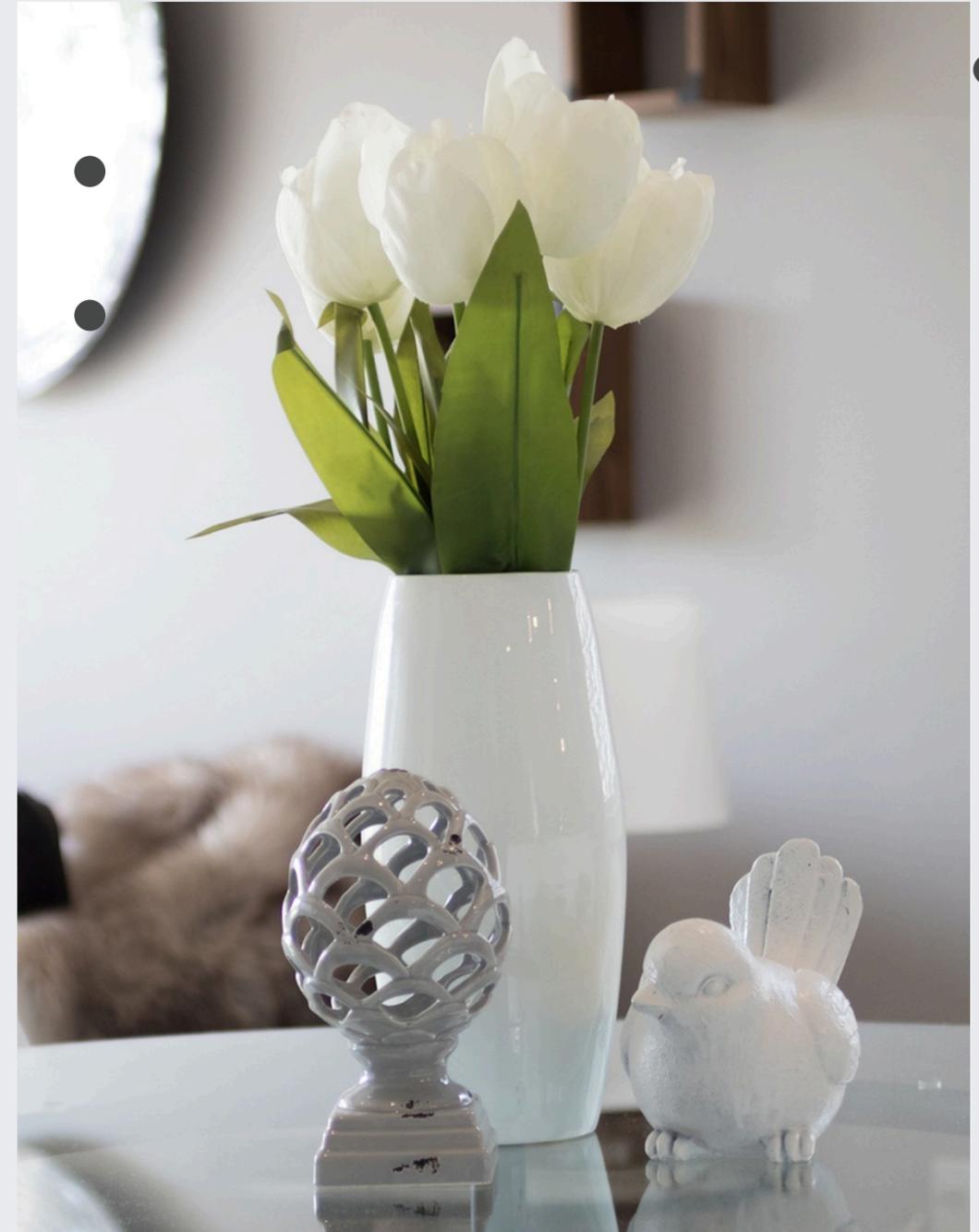
And they came to Jerusalem. And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold and those who bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. And he would not allow anyone to carry anything through the temple. And he was teaching them and saying to them, “Is it not written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations’? But you have made it a den of robbers.”

Mark 11:15-17

Built For Relationship

Yet have regard to the prayer of your servant... that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house... that you may listen to the prayer... And listen to the plea of your servant and of your people Israel, when they pray toward this place. And listen in heaven your dwelling place, and when you hear, forgive.

1 Kings 8:28–30

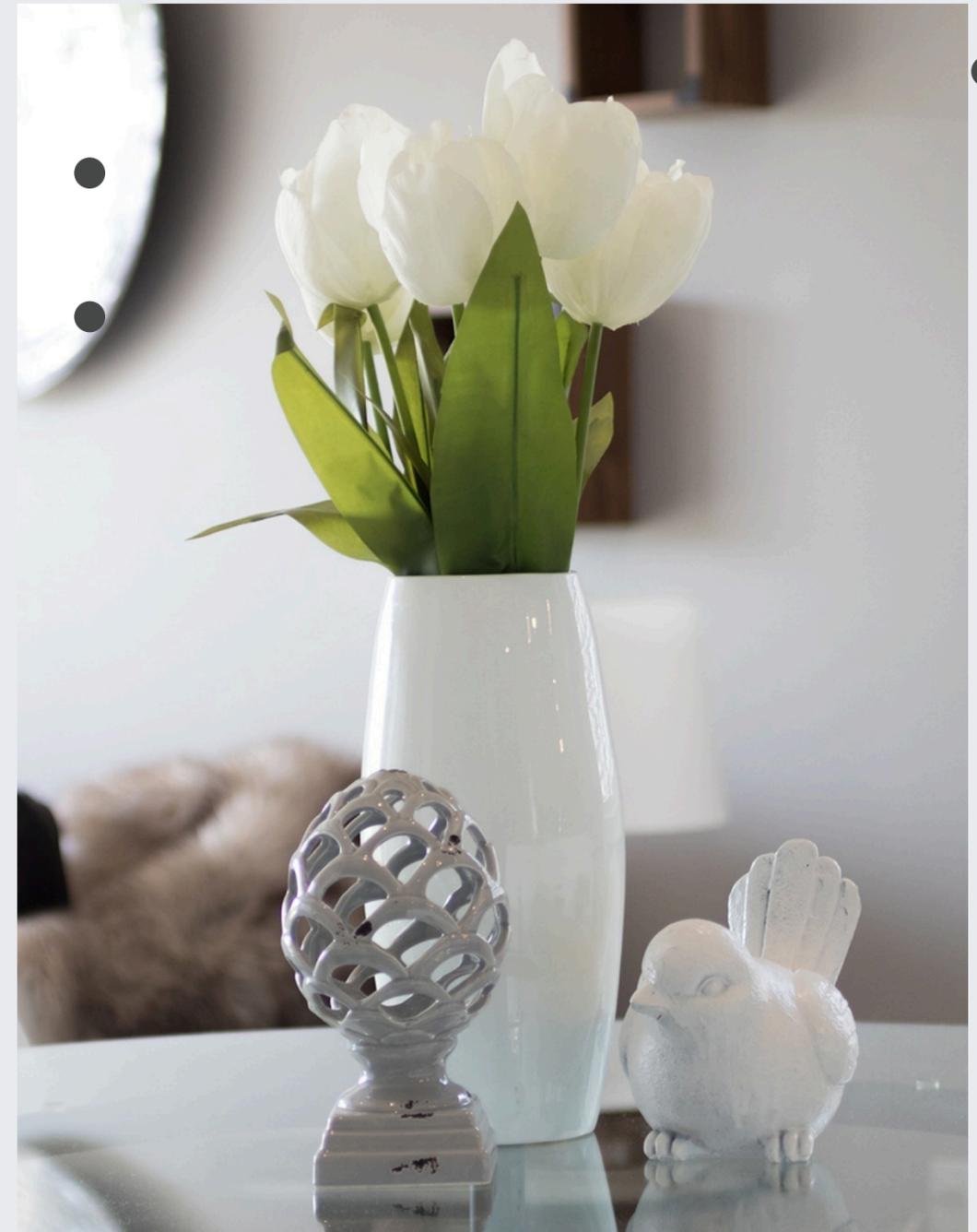


Built For Relationship

The temple was built:
for relationship, not activity

The purpose was clear:

- people turn to God
- God hears
- relationship happens





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Drifted from Purpose

And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold and those who bought in the temple... and he would not allow anyone to carry anything through the temple

Mark 11:15–16



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**The house became busy
but misaligned**



The temple was no longer about God.

It became about:

- movement
- business
- convenience

It was functioning...

but no longer focused





People Took Ownership

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They acted like owners instead of stewards

- they controlled the space
- they defined what happened
- they filled it with their agenda





When God is not at the center, we or someone naturally takes control

Jesus Reclaims

Jesus is not correcting — He is reclaiming by taking Action



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Jesus disrupted - The Flow

Jesus removed - Sellers and Buyers

Jesus stopped - Religion

Jesus declared - Truth





How can I apply this to my life?

Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

1 Corinthians 6:19–20



Personal Questions:

1. Who owns my life?
 2. What is the Purpose of my Temple?
 3. What would Jesus remove if He walked into my life?
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**THE PROBLEM WASN'T THAT THE
HOUSE WAS EMPTY...
IT WAS THAT THE WRONG PERSON WAS**

in charge.

