

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?" 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.

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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?' BUT IF WE
SAY, 'OF HUMAN ORIGIN'—WE ARE AFRAID OF THE
PEOPLE, FOR THEY ALL HOLD THAT JOHN WAS A
PROPHET." SO THEY ANSWERED JESUS, "WE DON'T

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KNOW.” THEN HE SAID, “NEITHER WILL I TELL YOU BY WHAT AUTHORITY I AM DOING THESE THINGS. “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.’ “‘I WILL NOT,’ HE ANSWERED, BUT LATER HE CHANGED HIS MIND AND WENT. “THEN THE FATHER WENT TO THE OTHER SON AND SAID THE

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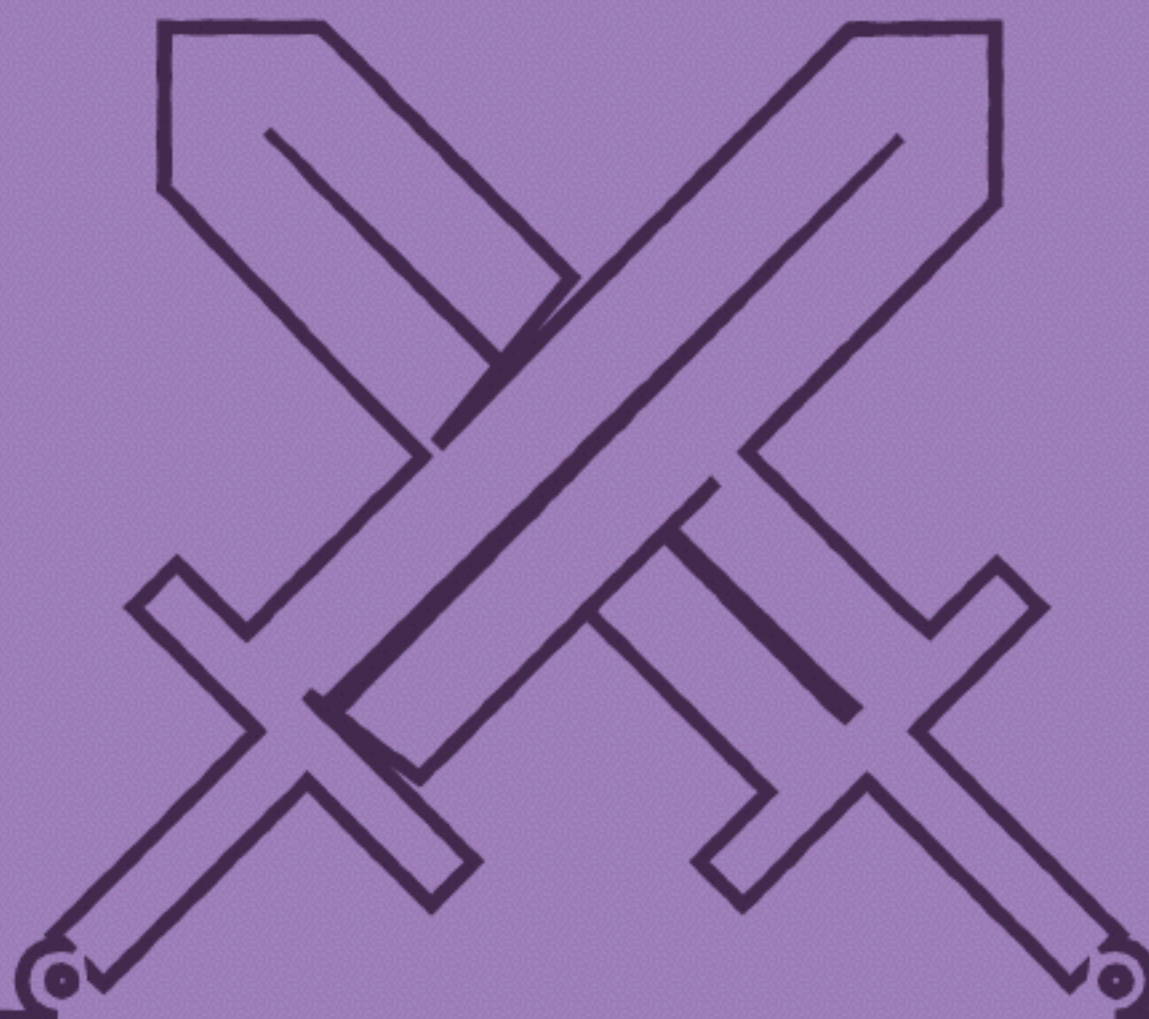
SAME THING. HE ANSWERED, 'I WILL, SIR,' BUT HE DID NOT GO. "WHICH OF THE TWO DID WHAT HIS FATHER WANTED?" "THE FIRST," THEY ANSWERED. JESUS SAID TO THEM, "TRULY I TELL YOU, THE TAX COLLECTORS AND THE PROSTITUTES ARE ENTERING THE KINGDOM OF GOD AHEAD OF YOU. FOR JOHN CAME TO YOU TO SHOW YOU THE WAY OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, AND YOU DID NOT

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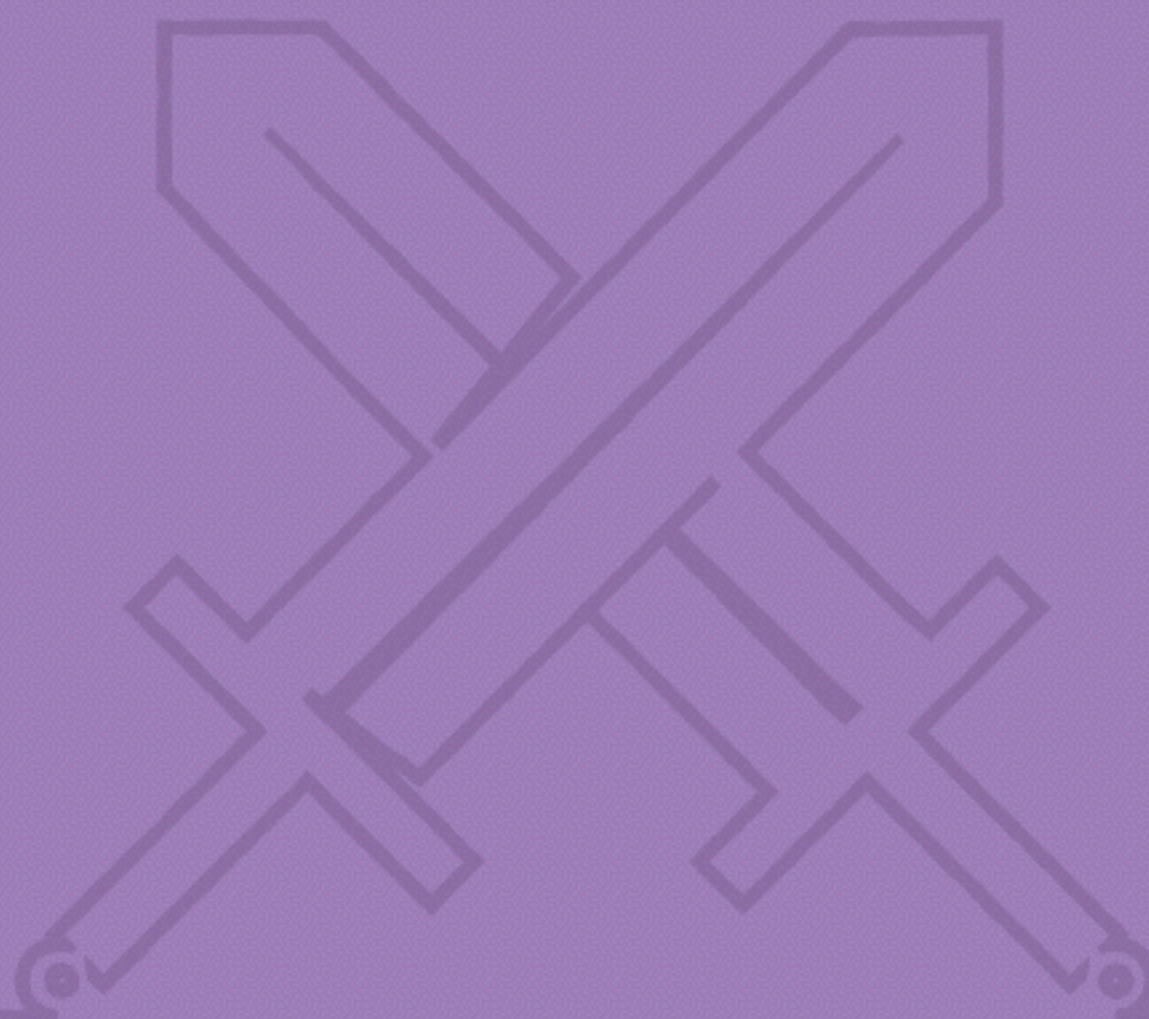
BELIEVE HIM, BUT THE TAX COLLECTORS AND THE PROSTITUTES DID. AND EVEN AFTER YOU SAW THIS, YOU DID NOT REPENT AND BELIEVE HIM.

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THE KINGDOMS



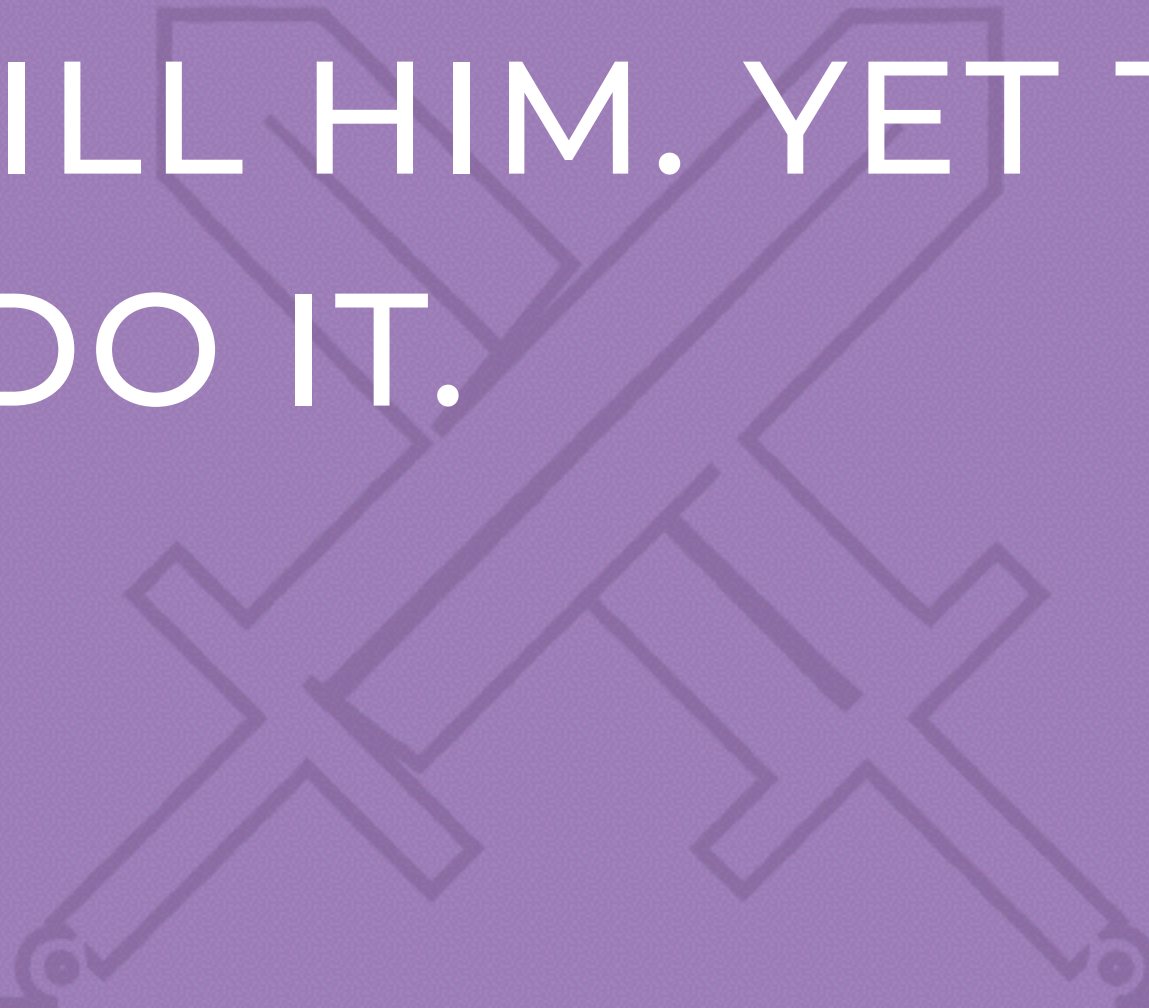
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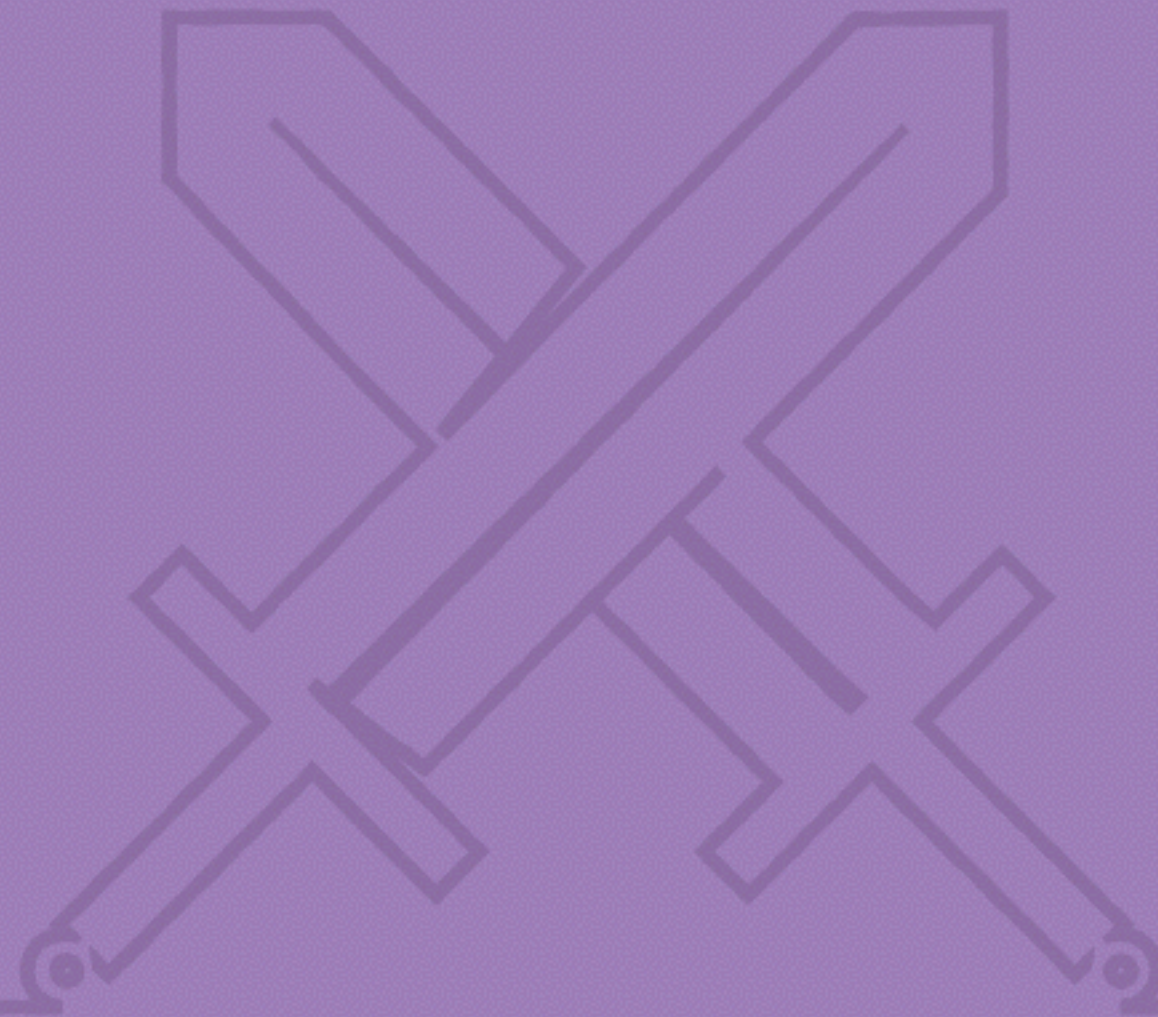
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EVERY DAY HE WAS TEACHING AT THE TEMPLE.
BUT THE CHIEF PRIESTS, THE TEACHERS OF THE
LAW AND THE LEADERS AMONG THE PEOPLE
WERE TRYING TO KILL HIM. YET THEY COULD NOT
FIND ANY WAY TO DO IT.



LUKE 19:47-48

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BUT SOMEONE WILL SAY, “YOU HAVE FAITH; I HAVE DEEDS.” SHOW ME YOUR FAITH WITHOUT DEEDS, AND I WILL SHOW YOU MY FAITH BY MY DEEDS. YOU BELIEVE THAT THERE IS ONE GOD. GOOD! EVEN THE DEMONS BELIEVE THAT—AND SHUDDER.



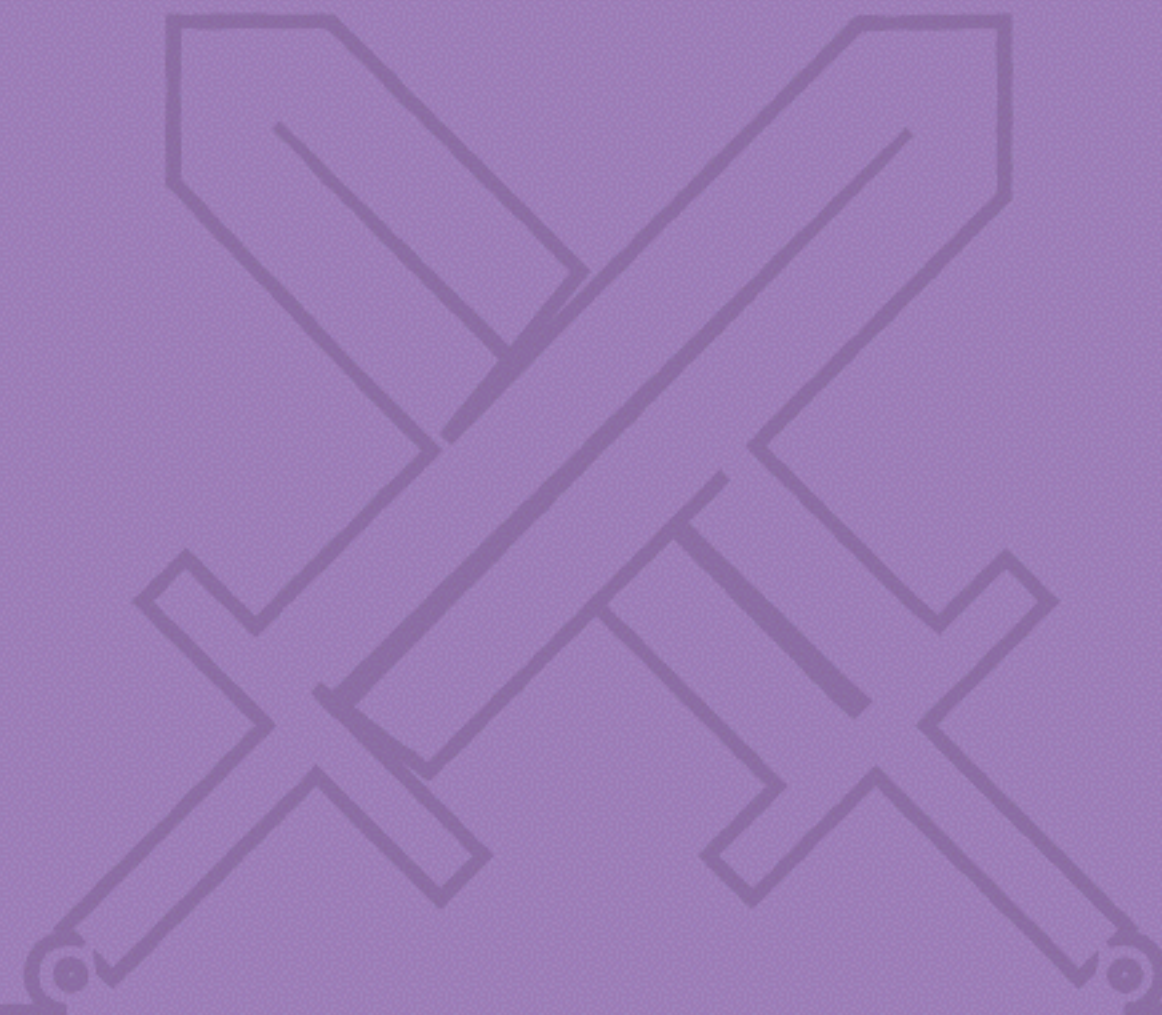
JAMES 2:18-19

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“WHY DO YOU CALL ME, ‘LORD, LORD,’ AND DO NOT DO WHAT I SAY?”



LUKE 6:46

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