



Holy Week

Tuesday

Reflections...

On Tuesday of Easter week, Jesus modelled the power of words. We read in [Matthew 21:23-27](#) about Jesus' clash with the chief priests and elders who indignantly wanted to know who He thought He was. They asked what authority gave Him the right to teach and to heal. Jesus, in His wisdom, chose to set a word trap for them by asking whether they thought John's baptism came from Heaven or from human origin. They were stumped by the question because they knew that if they answered "from Heaven" (as was widely believed by the people) Jesus would ask why they did not follow him. And, if they answered "from human origin" as they actually believed, they would offend the people.

Jesus took care not to waste His words, but only spoke that which would honour God and help others. How often do we just blurt out our gut reactions without thinking first? Do you pause to ask God for help before answering in challenging situations when your blood pressure is up?

What words and responses do you use that need to conform to the way of Jesus?

Let us Pray...