

October 1, 2017
“Broken Promises”
(Matthew 21: 28-32)

We always enjoy it when Jesus sticks it to the chief _____ and elders or to the scribes and _____.

Three basic lessons here:

#1. – The first is the _____ of doing what we say we are going to do.

We live in an era of unkept _____.

In this kind of society, we who are God’s people should be known for _____ our promises.

In an illustration, C.S. Lewis refused to let a woman’s actions become an _____ to renege on his promise.

He had the power to _____ to keep his word.

It’s important to do what you say. Especially if you belong to the _____ of God, as Christ _____!

#2. – The key to a successful life is to be a _____ keeper.

Certainly this is true in important relationships like _____ and _____.

21 high-potential executives who were terminated, had one character flaw that led to their downfall: Not doing what they had _____.

It’s a matter of _____; it’s a matter of _____.

One of the saddest commentaries on our time is that we can cite so few people who are people with unquestioned _____.

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Coach Cleveland Stroud: *“Winning is the most important thing for any coach. But your principles have to be higher than your goals.”*

People forget the _____ of basketball games, but they don’t ever forget what you are _____ of!

#3. – The reputation of always _____ to do what is right.

You and I won’t leave a more important _____ to our children and grandchildren than a reputation for seeking in all ways, to do the _____ thing!

As we take the Sacrament of Holy Communion, it would be a good time for us to reflect on the promises we have made to God.

Have we kept them?

Are there new promises we should make today?