

Inner Life: Feeling Good and Faith

A message on **Mark 11:20-25**

Spring Series: Following the Way or Falling Away?

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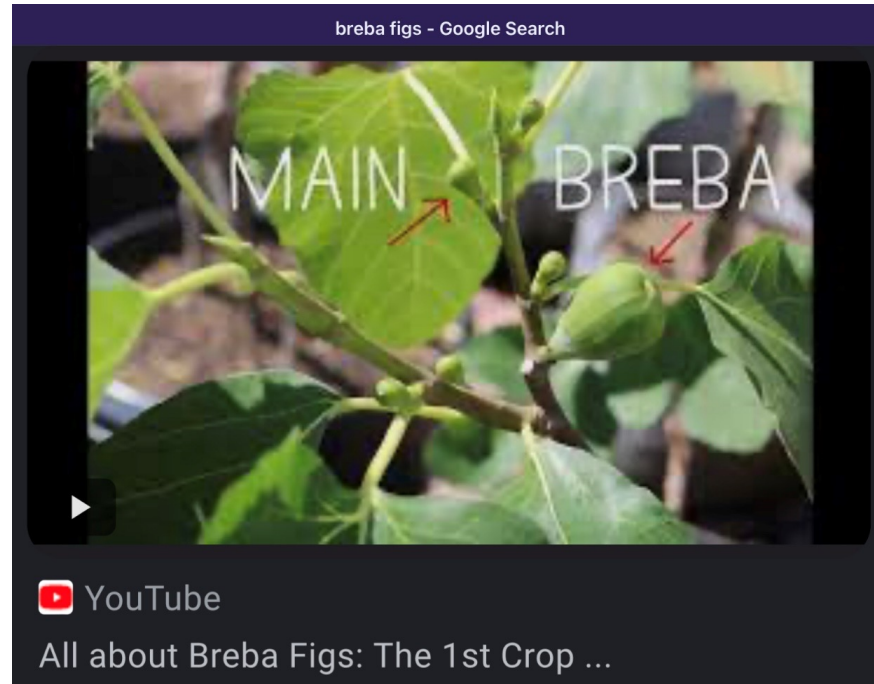
Mark 11:11-14

11 And *Jesus* entered Jerusalem *and came* into the temple *area*; and after looking around at everything, He left for Bethany with the twelve, since it was already late.

12 On the next day, when they had left Bethany, He became hungry. **13** Seeing from a distance a fig tree in leaf, 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. **14** And He said to it, “May no one ever eat fruit from you again!” And His disciples were listening.

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Galatians 5:14-17

14 For the whole Law is fulfilled in one word, in the *statement*, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” **15** But if you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

16 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. **17** For the desire of the flesh is against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, in order to keep you from doing whatever you want.

Reflection Questions

1. What are you producing today?
2. How can you love your neighbor with what you produce?
3. What could you accomplish through a more abundant faith in God?