

Cleanse Your Temple

*Psalm 69:7-9; Matthew 21:12-16; Mark 11:15-17; Luke 19:45-46;
John 2:13-22; Ephesians 2:19-22; Revelation 21:1-4*

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Unison N.C.

C^m

G⁷
D

C^m
E^b

C^m
G

F^m

F^m
G

F^m
A^b

1. You longed for Your chil - dren to live in Your
2. You fash - ioned Your home as a ha - ven for
3. You sent us Your Son with the fierce - ness of
4. Lord, fin - ish Your work on Your beau - ti - ful

G^{sus} G

F^m

F^m
E^b

F^m
D

C^m
E^b

C^m
G

F^m⁶
D

F^m⁶
A^b

G⁷^{sus}

G⁷

G

love, The love of the Fa - ther and Son. You
all, A tem - ple of wor - ship and prayer. But
love, A pas - sion to draw us to You. He
home, Your tem - ple in Je - sus the Son. For

C^m

G⁷^{sus}
D

G⁷
F

C^m
E^b

C^m
G

F^m

F^{sus}

F^m
E^b

F^m
D

G⁷

F^m⁷

built here a - mong us a beau - ti - ful home To dwell with Your
soon with the noise and the stench of our sin, The cha - os of
start - ed the cleans - ing of all that is Yours, To make all cre -
we are Your tem - ple, Your dwell - ing in Christ, The glo - ry of

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G⁷

1, 2, 3
 C^{sus} C^{sus}/_G C_m

4
 C^{sus} C^{sus}/_G C

fam - 'ly as one.
 greed filled the air.
 a - tion a - new.
 heav - en be - gun!

TOPICS: CHRIST HYMNS 3, His Life; Holiness; Life of Christ; Tunes, Classical

LEAD-IN: *Then they came to Jerusalem. And He entered the temple area and began to drive out those who were selling and buying on the temple grounds, and He overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who were selling doves; and He would not allow anyone to carry merchandise through the temple grounds. And He began to teach and say to them, "Is it not written: 'My house will be called a house of prayer for all the nations'? But you have made it a den of robbers."*
(Mark 11:15-17, NASB)

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

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Father,
 You are our peace.
 You are our holiness.
 You are our security.

Your presence –
 You Yourself, Lord, –
 are all we need.

So in love, You have always longed to
 join Yourself to Your people,
 to live among us,
 to be one with us.

In the garden,
 in the cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night,
 in the tabernacle,

You drew near us and
 lived with us and
 eagerly provided our needs
 in Yourself.

The temple was another chapter in that long and loving history.

You designed it to be a
 house of prayer for all peoples,
 a beautiful, peaceful, glorious place of worship.

But people took the court of the Gentiles –
 the only place where the nations could come and worship You –
 and turned it into a place of business.

They made it a noisy, smelly market
 selling animals for sacrifice and
 exchanging coins for the temple tax.

Then Jesus came.

His heart was fully one with Yours, so He was
 grieved and
 enraged

at the corruption of Your purpose.

Right there in Your own holy house,
 greed was being worshiped,
 not You.

He cleansed it,
 though perhaps only for a brief time.
More importantly, He Himself became Your temple,
 Your presence among us,
 the Holy of Holies where heaven and earth meet.
And in Him,
 as His Spirit fills His people,
 we are Your temple.

Father, finish what Jesus started.
Cleanse us
 completely and
 forever.

Make us holy,
 a house of prayer,
 a place devoted to Your service,
 a pure and glorious home for You,
 our pure and glorious God.

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