The Cost and the Conflict
John 2:13-17 (Psalm 69:4, 6, 8-9)

Tense, ugly confrontation

Disciples thought of Psalm 69:9

"zeal for your house has consumed me"

- Cost (consume)

  Acts 14:22 "We must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of God."

- Conflict

  Distance ⟶ Distrust ⟶ Hatred

  John 15:18, 25

  [18] "If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first.
  [25] But this is to fulfill what is written in their Law: 'They hated me without reason.'

- Zeal

  2 Timothy 1:6 For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands.

- God's house

  Hebrews 11:25 He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin.

Luke 2:34 Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against.

John 2:13-17

[13] When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. [14] In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. [15] So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. [16] To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father's house into a market!" [17] His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me."

Psalm 69:4, 6, 8-9

[4] Those who hate me without reason
    outnumber the hairs of my head;
many are my enemies without cause,
    those who seek to destroy me.
I am forced to restore
    what I did not steal.

[6] Lord, the LORD Almighty,
    may those who hope in you
    not be disgraced because of me;
God of Israel,
    may those who seek you
    not be put to shame because of me.

[8] I am a foreigner to my own family,
    a stranger to my own mother's children;
[9] for zeal for your house consumes me,
    and the insults of those who insult you fall on me.