

# Saturday 8th in Ordinary Time

**Gospel text (Mk 11,27-33):** As Jesus was walking in the Temple, the chief priests, the teachers of the Law and the elders came to him and asked, «What authority do you have to act like this? Who gave you authority to do the things you do?».



**Illustration:** Francesc Badia

Today we are surprised to see some religious authorities asking Jesus for an explanation. They do not deny their miracles (cures, resurrecting dead people ...). They can't deny reality! But, instead of "surrendering" to Him and worshiping Him recognizing Him as God, they subject Him to an indecent interrogation. What arrogance! Other people with a simple heart, prostrated before Jesus Christ. But they -the authorities- don't ...

-In the end, not being able to maintain this hypocrisy, they ended up crucifying the Lord (because He worked miracles and they were feared that the people would go after Him ...). Before God there are no "half measures".