

## TRADITIONAL VIEW OF HOLY WEEK

Sat	Palm Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Good Friday	Sat Sabbath	Easter Sun
	Rides into Jerusalem as king	Teach	Teach	Teach	Teach & Last Supper	Tried and Crucified	In the Tomb	Risen
Sabbath						Day of Preparation	Pass-over	

## ANOTHER VIEW OF HOLY WEEK

Sat	Palm Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Good Friday	Sat Sabbath	Easter Sun
Rides into Jerusalem as king	Teach	Teach	Teach & Last Supper	Tried and Crucified	In the Tomb	In the Tomb	In the Tomb	Appears to followers
Sabbath				Day of Preparation	Pass-over	Feast of Unleavened Bread	Rises after 6 p.m.	

## WALK THE TALK

1. What did you like about the parable (allegory) and what about it was most insightful?
2. Why did the people cry out? What does that tell you about them?
3. How would you explain Jesus as “the cornerstone?” What did you learn about this that was most helpful?



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### TWO LESSONS FOR THIS SERIES:

1. In seven consecutive stories we see Jesus being TESTED, and we see Him testing the DOUBTERS.
2. Jesus is the ONLY exception to the rule that “*You can fool all of the people some of the time.*”

### THE REVIEW

1. Jesus is in the LAST few days of His EARTHLY life.
2. He is TEACHING in the Temple courts and He is giving people a LAST chance to know and follow Him. (euaggelizō)

*Luke 20:1 One day as Jesus was teaching the people in the temple courts and proclaiming the good news,*

### THE ALLEGORY OF JESUS

*Luke 20:9 He went on to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard, rented it to some farmers and went away for a long time. 10 At harvest time he sent a servant to the tenants so they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. 11 He sent another servant, but that one also they beat and treated shamefully and sent away empty-handed. 12 He sent still a third, and they wounded him and threw him out. 13 “Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my son, whom I love; perhaps they will respect him.’ 14 “But when the tenants saw him, they talked the matter over. ‘This is the heir,’ they said. ‘Let’s kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.’ 15 So they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. “What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? 16 He will come and kill those tenants and give the vineyard to others.”*

1. This is a continuation of last week's account on the Temple Mount and involved the LEADERS of the people (chief priests, teachers of the law, elders). In that account, these leaders TESTED Jesus. Now He will TEST them.

2. This parable is an OVERVIEW of the Old Testament.

— *A vineyard* — ISRAEL as God designed it

*Jer. 2:21 I had planted you like a choice vine of sound and reliable stock. How then did you turn against me into a corrupt, wild vine?*

— *Rented to "tenants"* — the NATION of Israel. The "chosen."

*Israel is not the END of salvation, but the MEANS.*

— *Went away for a long time* — God TRUSTS the people

— *Harvest* — God DESERVED their worship and obedience

— *Servant* — a PROPHET of God to REMIND the people

— *More servants* — each treated WORSE than the previous

— *I will send my son* — JESUS

— *Talked the matter over* — Israel's leaders knew EXACTLY who Jesus was and WHAT they would do to Him.

*Luke 20:14 "But when the tenants saw him, they talked the matter over. 'This is the heir,' they said. 'Let's kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.'*

*Luke 20:5 They discussed it among themselves and said,. . .*

— *Let's kill him, and the inheritance will be ours* — indicates that the leaders of Israel believed that the Owner was DEAD.

— *So they threw him out of the vineyard* — turned Jesus over to the ROMANS who killed Him OUTSIDE of the city.

— *Killed the son* — the CRUCIFIXION (a few days before it happened). Jesus KNEW what was coming!

— *What will the owner do to them?* — the Owner will exact REVENGE including the KILLING of the "tenants."

— *Give the vineyard to others* — Israel would no longer have ACCESS to the land of Israel or the UNIQUE relationship with God, instead, it will now be the CHURCH.

*Matt. 21:43 "Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.*

## THE ANGST OF THE PEOPLE

*Luke 20:16 . . . When the people heard this, they said, "May this never be!"*

Don't you think that the people might have cried out a little EARLIER? (3 servants and the death of the son)

The people knew that the story was about THEM. The word "heard" is ἀκούω akouō which means "to UNDERSTAND."

## THE AIM OF THE TEACHING

*Luke 20:17 Jesus looked directly at them and asked, "Then what is the meaning of that which is written: " 'The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone' 18 Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, but he on whom it falls will be crushed."*

1. Jesus "looked directly" indicates a STARE (ἐμβλέπω, emblepō).

2. He quotes an Old Testament PROVERB that was well KNOWN to the people and He refers to Himself as the "CORNERSTONE." (The Son has become the Stone.)

*Luke 20:17 and he, having looked upon them, said, 'What, then, is this that hath been written: A stone that the builders rejected — this became head of a corner? (Youngs)*

*Lu 20:17 . . . οὗτος ἐγενήθη εἰς κεφαλὴν γωνίας (houtos ginomai eis kephalē gōnia)*

*Psa. 118:22 The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; (NIV)*

*Psa. 118: 22 A stone the builders refused Hath become head of a corner. (Youngs)*

*אֲבֵן מָאָסוּ הַבּוֹנִים הִיְתָה לְרֹאשׁ פֶּנֶה Psa. 188:22*

— The cornerstone is the FIRST stone laid for the beginning of a structure and it had to be nearly PERFECT. (A capstone?)

*Acts 4:10 then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. 11 He is " 'the stone you builders rejected, which has become the capstone.' ( . . . οὗτος ἐγενήθη εἰς κεφαλὴν γωνίας.)*

3. Whether you IGNORE this stone or DEFY and reject this stone, you will be BROKEN (and face judgment). Each person's only hope is to CHOOSE this stone as their "cornerstone."

*If a pot falls on a rock woe to the pot. If a rock falls on the pot woe to the pot.*

## THE ANGER OF THE LEADERS

*Luke 20:19 The teachers of the law and the chief priests looked for a way to arrest him immediately, because they knew he had spoken this parable against them. But they were afraid of the people.*

The authorities AGAIN missed the point and tried to stop Jesus "immediately," but AGAIN, the time wasn't right.