

## THE PARABLES OF JESUS

### GOODNESS AND SEVERITY OF GOD :

#### Lesson 15.

**OBJECTIVE:** To stress the tender mercy of God; yet the patience of God can be exhausted toward those who persist in disobedience!

**PARABLE:** *The Parable of the Wicked Husbandmen:*  
Matthew 21:33-43

Mark 12:1-12

Luke 20:9-18

#### **I. THE SETTING:**

A. Where was Jesus when He told this parable? \_\_\_\_\_

B. Who were His hearers?  
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C. What period of Christ's life was this?  
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#### **II. THE CENTRAL TEACHING:**

A. What is the major point of the parable?  
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B. Did His hearers get the point?  
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#### **III. UNDERSTANDING THE PARABLE:**

A. The primary application of the parable should be fairly easy:

1. Who did the owner represent?

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2. The vineyard?

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3. The husbandmen?

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4. The servants, sent and abused?

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5. The son?

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B. Jesus asked for His hearer's judgment on what should happen to such evil husbandmen. What was their judgment?

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C. Did this action really take place, historically?

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D. The quotation in **Matt.21:42** is from the Old Testament. Where? \_\_\_\_\_

E. This same quotation is made in an early statement in the book of Acts. Where?

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F. What prevented their doing violence to Jesus immediately? \_\_\_\_\_

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G. They did make plans to entrap Him. What were those plans? \_\_\_\_\_

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H. How does the parable show God's goodness?

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I. How does the parable show God's severity?

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**Additional Notes:**