

¹One day, as Jesus was teaching the people in the temple and preaching the gospel, the chief priests and the scribes with the elders came up ²and said to Him, “Tell us by what authority You do these things, or who it is that gave You this authority.”

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³He answered them, “I also will ask you a question. Now tell Me, ⁴was the baptism of John from heaven or from man?”...

⁸And Jesus said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.”

—Luke 20:1-4, 8 ESV

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⁹And He began to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. ¹⁰When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed.” —Luke 20:9-10 ESV

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¹³“Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.’ ¹⁴But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.’

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¹⁵And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them?”... ¹⁷But He looked directly at them and said, “What then is this that is written: ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone’?”

—Luke 20:13-15, 17 ESV

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I. What did this story mean then?
(Past)

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Characters

Landowner = God

Tenants = Religious Leaders

Servants = Prophets

Son = Jesus Christ Matt. 3:17; John 3:16

Others = Us Luke 20:16

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Isaiah 5:2

Israel is known as God's Vineyard.

Psalms 118:2

The cornerstone is a messianic view of Christ.

Luke 20:19

The plot to kill Jesus was already underway.

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2. What does this story mean now?
(Present)

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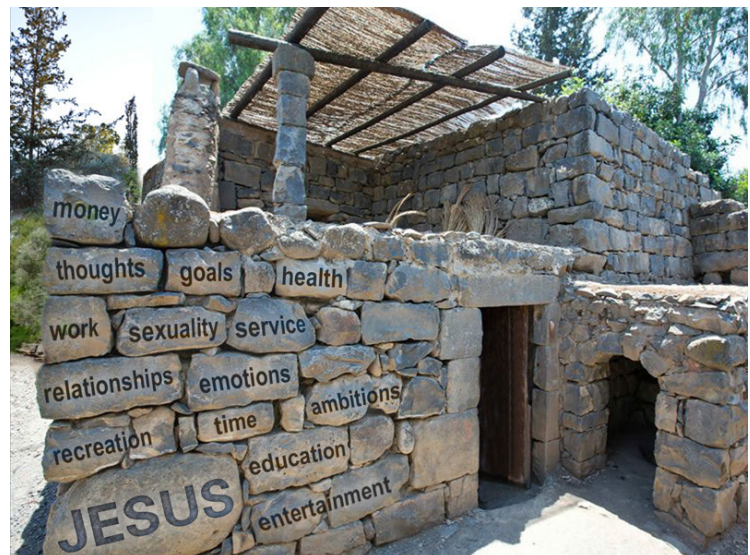
⁴As you come to Him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious,
⁵you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

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⁶For it stands in Scripture:
“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in Him will not be put to shame.”

—1 Peter 2:4-6 ESV

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⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. —1 Peter 2:9-10 ESV

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⁷So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone," ⁸and "A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. —1 Peter 2:7-8 ESV

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Now the Spirit expressly says that in later times some will depart from the faith by devoting themselves to deceitful spirits and teachings of demons.

—1 Timothy 4:1 ESV

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"When mankind comes to the end of rationalism, then they will lose their rationality and they will believe myths and fables, rather than the truth of God's word."

—Francis Shaffer

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¹But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. ²For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good,

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⁴treacherous, reckless, swollen
with conceit, lovers of pleasure
rather than lovers of God...
⁷always learning and never able to
arrive at a knowledge of the truth.

—2 Timothy 3:1-4, 7 ^{ESV}

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3. What does this mean to me?
(Personal)

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And when Jesus finished these sayings,
the crowds were astonished at
His teaching. —Matthew 7:28 ^{ESV}

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