

## JESUS, THE CORNERSTONE

Mark 11:27-12:12

Key Verse: 12:10

1. How did the religious leaders challenge Jesus and why (27-28)? What do “these things” refer to (11:15-18)? How did Jesus expose their problem (29-33)? What does it mean to accept Jesus’ authority practically?
2. In Jesus’ parable, what did a vineyard owner do (1)? How did the owner’s preparation reflect God’s heart for his people (Isa 5:1-2,7)? What does renting the vineyard imply about our relationship with God (Gen 2:8,15)?
3. What was the owner’s purpose to send a servant to the tenants to collect some fruit (2)? What could the fruit represent? How did they respond and what does this reveal about them (3-5)? How does this parable show us God’s patient hope and man’s wickedness?
4. What does sending his son tell us about God’s love and hope for his people (6; Jn 3:16)? What fatal sin did the tenants finally commit and why (7-8)? How did Jesus warn the religious leaders about God’s righteous justice (9)?
5. In quoting Psalm 118:22-23, what did Jesus teach about himself (10; Ac 4:10-12)? What can we learn about the Lord’s marvelous work (11)? How did the religious leaders respond (12)? Why is it important for us to accept Jesus as the cornerstone (1Pe 2:4-6)?