## **AfterThoughts**

July 19, 2020

Sermon Title: The Stone That The Builders Rejected

**Scripture: Mark 11:27–12:12** 

This week, Pastor David shared that the Parable of the Tenants is an allegory and showed us the four aspects of the story:

- The Establishment Of God's Plan
- The Rejection Of God's Prophets
- The Extent Of God's Love
- The Extent Of God's Judgement

## **Going Deeper:**

- When the religious leaders question Jesus about His identity and authority, He answers with the parable of the vineyard. Which character(s) in the story resonate with you? Why?
- The servants in the story represented the Old Testament prophets that were intended to bring Israel back to the one true God. What has God used in your life to draw you to Him and/or back to Him? How did you receive those things?
- How do you respond to the knowledge that God sent His beloved Son to the vineyard, knowing that He would be killed in the process?
- Have you been tempted to see God as an absent landlord? Explain.
- Each of us will have to answer to the owner of the vineyard. Will you answer "Thy will be done" or "my will be done?"

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## **Additional Discovery:**

For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are His pleasant planting. ~ Isaiah 5:7

They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated—of whom the world was not worthy. ~ Hebrews 11:37–38

But God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ~ Romans 5:8

"If you reject Him, He answers you with tears; if you wound Him, He bleeds out cleansing; if you kill Him, He dies to redeem; if you bury Him, He rises again to bring resurrection."

~ Charles Spurgeon

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

~ Jude 24–25

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