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January 30 Matthew 20:1-28

What are two lessons from the parable of the day laborers at the vineyard?-God is generous. God is in charge. It is never too late to start serving God. What behavior is proof that Jesus' followers were not listening when he warned them of His death?-They continued to angle for positions of power.

January 31 Matthew 20:29-21:22

Did Jesus use the Triumphal Entry to grow his popularity?-No, Jesus attacked head-on the religious establishment who had given permission for the market in the Temple. He didn't become a player and he didn't let the crowds define Him. His love for God defined Him. Why did Jesus curse the fig tree?-It was an illustration of His judgment on the unfruitful nation of Israel.

February 1 Matthew 21:23-46

At what point did the Jewish leaders show they were going the wrong way?-When they did not submit to baptism by John for repentance. Right at the beginning. What does God, like any farmer, expect?-God expects fruit (a holy life, service to Him). God is patient, but He will not be mocked. The Kingdom was taken from the Jews and given to the Gentile Church.

February 2 Matthew 22:1-33

Who are the people God first invited?—The Jews were invited first, but thought their things more important.
What opinions did the Herodians and Pharisees have on taxes?—Herodians were pro; Pharisees were con. They agreed with their enemies to elliminate Jesus.

February 3 Matthew 22:34--23:12

What two teachings from Jesus put an end to the public questioning?-He settled the "Greatest Command" question quoting the law of love, which everyone fails. Then He bamboozled them with the doctrine of the Trinity.

February 4 Matthew 23:13-39

What phrase announces the judgment on the teachers of the law and the Pharisees?-"Woe to you!" indicates the inescapable and devastating judgment of God.

What is Jesus' most frequent criticism of them? -He called them "hypocrites" multiple times because their religious was external. They presented themselves outwardly as clean and moral while inwardly they were filthy.

February 5 Matthew 24:1-28

What two questions was Jesus answering in the "Olivet Discourse" (the fifth and last great speech)?-"When will Jerusalem and the Temple be destroyed?" and "What will be the sign of Your coming and of the end of the age?" So, some of the things Jesus talks about were fulfilled in 70 AD with Titus' destruction of Jerusalem and some of the things will be true at the time of the Rapture and from there until the end of the Tribulation. There are similarities between these two times which means some statements apply to both questions. The biggest lesson is "Don't be deceived into believing a false Messiah!"