

The Parable of the Tenants

Sermon Discussion Questions - July 11, 2021

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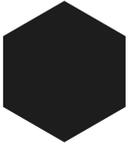
Text

Matthew 21:33-43

Discussion Questions

1. Ross mentions that the root of many of our sins is our forgetfulness of God's kindness. It can be easy for us to believe that God is holding out on us and that He doesn't truly know what we need. Have you become dissatisfied in how God has provided for you or how He has not provided for you? How has God mercifully provided for you?
2. Our sin leads us to seek a role reversal. We become discontent with being a tenant of the kingdom of God and seek to be the landowner. We try to sit in the judgment seat where only God belongs. How has your sin blinded you to how we properly relate to God? In which areas of your life are you prone to seeking your own way towards freedom rather than trusting in God's way?
3. God continued to send prophet after prophet to the people of Israel and they rarely listened. God continues to be kind and patient with us today, not because we deserve it, but in spite of the fact that we don't deserve it. Looking ahead to this week, how can you manifest patience and kindness to those around you? Are there any particular people or situations that come to mind?
4. In response to our sin towards God, He sent His Son. When someone sins against you, what is your first reaction? If it is different from the grace and mercy shown by God, what are some ways that you can grow into conformity to Jesus' character?
5. In this parable, Jesus quotes Psalm 118:22-23, "The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes." In which ways do you have a tendency to reject the cornerstone of Jesus and try to become your own cornerstone through your self-sufficiency? How can you help those around you to trust in Jesus' perfect life and sacrificial death as the true cornerstone?





Prayer

Heavenly Father,

Thank You for mercifully providing Your Son Jesus to be our Perfect Sacrifice for our sin and rebellion. Please remind us daily that You are our treasure and that only You can satisfy us. We ask that Your Holy Spirit would help us reflect Your love, grace, and kindness to those around us. Help us trust in You today.

Amen.