

Kingdom Expectations

Matthew 21:28-22:14

Understanding the Bible:

What is the problem being expressed in this Bible passage?

How does God show up in this Bible Passage?

What do you think the landowner and the king in these parables expected from the people?

My favorite song today:

Things I will pray for this week:



Today's Bible Passage: Matthew 21:33-46

(Can you find the highlighted words?)

W A A V F U F C E B C A
O H N L A N D O W N E R
F P E O P L E E T R J O
R F S N T A W D O V A U
U W E I F H R F S F N N
I H R E D A E A W A Y D
T E V I Y R T R B L O C
J E A E E V C M U L N I
F S N H R E H E I S E K
C I T A E S E R L N L C
V O S E N T S S T O N E
T I M E T T U C K I L L
N H J E S U S R K K O N

“Listen to **another parable**: There was a **landowner** who planted a **vineyard**. He put a wall **around** it, dug a winepress in it and **built** a watchtower. **Then** he rented the **vineyard** to some **farmers** and moved to **another** place. **When** the **harvest time** approached, he **sent** his **servants** to the **tenants** to collect his **fruit**. “The **tenants** seized his **servants**; they beat one, killed **another**, and stoned a third. **Then**

he **sent other servants** to them, more than the first **time**, and the **tenants** treated them the same way. Last of all, he **sent** his son to them. ‘They will respect my son,’ he **said**. “But **when** the **tenants** saw the son, they **said** to each **other**, ‘This is the heir. **Come**, let’s **kill** him and take his inheritance.’ So they took him and threw him out of the **vineyard** and killed him. “**Therefore, when** the owner of the **vineyard** comes, what will he do to those **tenants**?” “He will bring those **wretches** to a wretched end,” they replied, “and he will **rent** the **vineyard** to **other tenants**, who will give him his share of the crop at **harvest time**.” **Jesus said** to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures: “ ‘The **stone** the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes?’ “**Therefore** I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a **people** who will produce its **fruit**. **Anyone** who **falls** on this **stone** will be broken to pieces; **anyone** on whom it **falls** will be crushed.” **When** the chief priests and the Pharisees heard **Jesus’** parables, they knew he was talking about them. They looked for a way to arrest him, but they were afraid of the crowd because the **people** held that he was a prophet.