



THE KINGDOM OF THE BELOVED SON

A Series through the life of Jesus Christ

Colossians 1:13 He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of His beloved Son

Jeremiah 9

23 This is what the LORD says:

**“Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom,
nor the strong man in his strength,
nor the wealthy man in his riches.**

**24 But let him who boasts boast in this,
that he understands and knows Me,
that I am the LORD,
who exercises loving devotion,
justice and righteousness on the earth—
for I delight in these things,”**

declares the LORD.

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Saturday – Jesus arrives at Bethany (stays with Mary, Martha and Lazarus)

Sunday – Crowds come out to see Him

Monday – Triumphal entry

Tuesday – Jesus curses the fig tree and cleanses the temple

Wednesday – Jesus goes back to the temple to teach
- he taught the religious leaders three parables

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14 Then He said to the tree, "May no one ever eat of your fruit again."

And His disciples heard this statement.

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15 When they arrived in Jerusalem, Jesus entered the temple courts and began to drive out those who were buying and selling there.

He overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those selling doves.

16 And He would not allow anyone to carry merchandise through the temple courts.

17 Then Jesus began to teach them, and He declared, “Is it not written: ‘My house will be called a house of prayer for all the nations’? [Isaiah 56:7]

But you have made it ‘a den of robbers.’” [Jeremiah 7:11]

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Hosea 9

10 I found Israel like grapes in the wilderness.

I saw your fathers as the firstfruits of the fig tree in its first season.

But they went to Baal-peor,

and consecrated themselves to Shame;

so they became as detestable as the thing they loved.

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23 When Jesus returned to the temple courts and began to teach, the chief priests and elders of the people came up to Him.

“By what authority are You doing these things?” they asked. “And who gave You this authority?”

Matthew 21 The Parable of the Two Sons

28 But what do you think?

There was a man who had two sons.

He went to the first one and said, 'Son, go and work today in the vineyard.'

29 'I will not,' he replied.

But later he changed his mind and went.

30 Then the man went to the second son and told him the same thing.

'I will, sir,' he said.

But he did not go.

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Matthew 21 The Parable of the Tenants

33 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 tower.

Then he rented it out to some tenants and went away on a journey.

Matthew 21 The Parable of the Tenants

34 When the harvest time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his share of the fruit.

35 But the tenants seized his servants.

They beat one, killed another, and stoned a third.

(Luke/Mark) ...and sent him away empty-handed.

36 Again, he sent other servants, more than the first group. (Mark 12) 5 He sent many others...

But the tenants did the same to them.

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38 But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and take his inheritance.’

39 So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

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42 Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures:

‘The stone the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. [Psalm 118:22–23]

This is from the Lord, and it is marvelous in our eyes’?

43 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.

44 He who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, but he on whom it falls will be crushed.” [Isaiah 8:14-15]

1 Peter 2

4 As you come to Him, the living stone, rejected by men but chosen and precious in God's sight,

5 you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. 6 For it stands in Scripture:

“See, I lay in Zion a stone,
a chosen and precious cornerstone;
and the one who believes in Him
will never be put to shame.” [Isaiah 28:16]

1 Peter 2

7 To you who believe, then, this stone is precious.

But to those who do not believe,

“The stone the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone,” [Psalm 118:22]

8 and,

“A stone of stumbling
and a rock of offense.” [Isaiah 8:14]

They stumble because they disobey the word—
and to this they were appointed.

1 Peter 2

9 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, to proclaim the virtues of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

10 Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God;
once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. [Hosea 2:23]

Matthew 21 The Parable of the Tenants

45 When the chief priests and Pharisees heard His parables, they knew that Jesus was speaking about them.

46 Although they wanted to arrest Him, they were afraid of the crowds, because the people regarded Him as a prophet.

Matthew 22 The Parable of the Wedding Banquet

1 Once again, Jesus spoke to them in parables:

2“The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son.

3 He sent his servants to call those he had invited to the banquet, but they refused to come.

Matthew 22 The Parable of the Wedding Banquet

4 Again, he sent other servants and said, 'Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner.

My oxen and fattened cattle have been killed, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.'

5 But they paid no attention and went away, one to his field, another to his business.

6 The rest seized his servants, mistreated them, and killed them.

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7 The king was enraged, and he sent his troops to destroy those murderers and burn their city.

8 Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited were not worthy.'

9 Go therefore to the crossroads and invite to the banquet as many as you can find.'

10 So the servants went out into the streets and gathered everyone they could find, both evil and good, and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

Luke 19

41 As Jesus approached Jerusalem and saw the city, He wept over it 42 and said,

“If only you had known on this day what would bring you peace! But now it is hidden from your eyes.

43 For the days will come upon you when your enemies will barricade you and surround you and hem you in on every side.

44 They will level you to the ground—you and the children within your walls.

They will not leave one stone on another, because you did not recognize the time of your visitation from God.”

Josephus Flavius

"We have certainly had God for our assistant in this war, and it was no other than God who ejected the Jews out of these fortifications; for what could the hands of men, or any machines, do towards overthrowing these towers!"

Romans 11

11 I ask then, did they stumble so as to fall beyond recovery?

Certainly not!

However, because of their trespass, salvation has come to the Gentiles to make Israel jealous.

12 But if their trespass means riches for the world, and their failure means riches for the Gentiles, how much greater riches will their fullness bring!

Romans 11

22 Take notice, therefore, of the kindness and severity of God:

severity to those who fell,

but kindness to you, if you continue in His kindness.

Otherwise you also will be cut off.

23 And if they do not persist in unbelief, they will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again.

What Do We Learn?

We see again God's zeal for His temple (church) to be pure in its worship and obedience.

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