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¹ And it happened, that on one of those days, as He taught the people in the temple complex, and preached the gospel, the chief priests and the scribes with the elders came upon Him / so the very faithless, the very envious religious criminals are demanding answers from Jesus whereby they can twist His words and accuse Him of some manufactured wrongdoing,

² and spoke to Him, saying, Tell us, by what authority You do these things? or who gave You this authority?

³ And He answered and said to them, I will also ask you one thing; and you answer me:

⁴ The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or from men?

⁵ And they reasoned among themselves, saying, If we will say, From heaven; He will say, Then why did you not believe him?

⁶ But if we say, from men; all the people will stone us to death: for they are persuaded that John was a prophet.

⁷ And they answered that they did not know where it came from.

⁸ And Jesus said to them, Neither will tell I you by what authority I do these things.

⁹ Then He began to tell the people this parable: A man planted a vineyard, and rented it to the workers, and journeyed to a distant country for a long time.

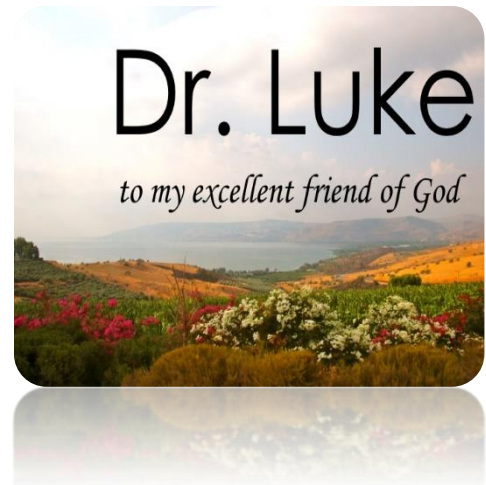
¹⁰ And at the harvest He sent a servant to the workers, that they give him some of the fruit of the vineyard: but the workers beat him, and sent him away empty.

¹¹ And again he sent another servant: and they beat him also, and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty.

¹² And again he sent a third: and this one also they wounded, and threw out.

¹³ Then the owner of the vineyard said, What will I do? I will send my beloved son: perhaps when they see him, they will respect him.

¹⁴ But when the workers saw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying, This is the heir: let us kill him, that the inheritance may be ours.



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¹⁵ So they threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What therefore will the owner of the vineyard do to them?

¹⁶ He will come and destroy these workers, and will give the vineyard to others. And when they heard it, they said, May it never be.

¹⁷ And He looked at them, and said, What then is this that is written, [The stone which the builders rejected, has become the chief cornerstone?](#)

¹⁸ All who fall on that stone will be broken; but whoever it falls on, it will grind him to dust.

¹⁹ And the chief priests and the scribes that same hour tried to lay hands on him; yet they feared the people: for they perceived He spoke this parable against them.

²⁰ And they watched Him, and sent forth their creepy CIA spies, who faked being right men, that they might seize Him for something He said, that so they might deliver Him to the rule and authority of the governor.

²¹ And they asked him, saying, Teacher, we know that You speak and teach rightly, and you are not partial to any, but teach the way of God in truth:

²² Is it lawful for us to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?

²³ But He perceived their craftiness, and said to them, Why do you tempt Me?

²⁴ Show Me a denarius. Whose likeness and image does it have? They answered and said, Caesar's.

²⁵ And He said to them, Then render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.

²⁶ And they could not catch Him for His words in the presence of the people: and they marveled at His answer, and became silent / Jesus shut them up.

²⁷ Then certain of the Sadducees came to Him / those from the lineage of Zadok the high priest at the time of King David; but now 1000 years later, they are arrogant, faithless atheists, who deny that there is any resurrection; and they asked him,

²⁸ saying, Teacher, Moses wrote, If a man's brother dies, having a wife, and he is childless, his brother should take his wife, and raise up offspring to his brother.

²⁹ Now there were seven brothers / actually there probably weren't 7 brothers, these fools are telling Jesus a riddle, a fake story to attempt to catch Him thinking Jesus would misspeak: and the first took a wife, and died without children.



³⁰ And the second took her to wife, and he died childless.

³¹ And the third took her; and likewise the seven: and they left no children, and died.

³² Finally the woman died also.

³³ So, in the resurrection whose wife will she be? for all seven had her as wife.

³⁴ And Jesus answered and said to them, The sons of this age marry, and are given in marriage:

³⁵ but those who are considered worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage:

³⁶ for neither can they die anymore: for they are equal to the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.

³⁷ But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed in the verse about the burning bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.

³⁸ For He is not the God of the dead, but of the living: for all live to Him.

³⁹ Then some of the scribes answered and said, Teacher, You have spoken well.

⁴⁰ And after, they dared not ask Him another question at all.

And now Jesus, having silenced these geniuses, continues with their same line of inquiry:

⁴¹ And He said to them, How is it they say the Christ is a son of David?

⁴² And David himself said in the book of Psalms, The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand,

⁴³ till I make your enemies a footstool for your feet.

⁴⁴ So, David calls him Lord, then how is he his son?

⁴⁵ And while all the people were listening, He said to His disciples,

⁴⁶ **Beware of the scribes,** who like strutting around in long robes, and love reverent greetings in the market places, and the chief seats in the synagogues, and places of honor at feasts;

⁴⁷ who devour widows' houses, and for dramatic show make long prayers / in stentorian tone: the same will receive greater damnation.