



Whose Garden?





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- *Matthew 21:33-40 NIV*
- *“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. ³⁴ When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit.*

- *³⁵ “The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. ³⁶ Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way. ³⁷ Last of all, he sent his son to them. ‘They will respect my son,’ he said.*
- *³⁸ “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.’ ³⁹ So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.*
- *⁴⁰ “Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?”*

- *Isaiah 5:1-2 NIV*
- *“I will sing for the one I love
a song about his vineyard:
My loved one had a vineyard
on a fertile hillside.*

- *Isaiah 5:1-2 NIV*
- *² He dug it up and cleared it of stones and planted it with the choicest vines. He built a watchtower in it and cut out a winepress as well. Then he looked for a crop of good grapes, but it yielded only bad fruit.”*



- *Isaiah 5:3-4 NIV*
- *“Now you dwellers in Jerusalem and people of Judah,
judge between me and my vineyard.
4 What more could have been done for my vineyard
than I have done for it?
When I looked for good grapes,
why did it yield only bad?”*

- *Isaiah 5:5-6 NIV*
- *“Now I will tell you
what I am going to do to my vineyard:
I will take away its hedge,
and it will be destroyed;
I will break down its wall,
and it will be trampled.*
- *⁶ I will make it a wasteland,
neither pruned nor cultivated,
and briars and thorns will grow there.
I will command the clouds
not to rain on it.”*

- *Matthew 21:41 NIV*
- *“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.”*

- *Matthew 21:42-44 NIV*
- *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’?*
- *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 Anyone who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed.”*



- *Matthew 21:45-46 NIV*
- *When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard Jesus' parables, they knew he was talking about them. ⁴⁶ They looked for a way to arrest him, but they were afraid of the crowd because the people held that he was a prophet.*

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