

Luke

Lecture 22: Chapter 19:41-20:44

19:41-44 – Jesus weeps over Jerusalem

approached Jerusalem...he wept over it – the sadness over those who reject Him
would bring you peace – only in Jesus (cf. 2:14 / 19:38)

your enemies...dash you to the ground – He foresees the destruction of Jerusalem 70 A.D.
embankment...encircle...hem you in – Romans laid siege, starvation (*you and the children*)

19:45-48 – Jesus at the temple

entered the temple – third time Luke mentions...40 days old (2:22), age 12 (2:46)

driving out those who were selling – a racket (ultimately run by High Priest Annas)

a house of prayer...a den of robbers – Jesus quotes Isaiah and Jeremiah (profits vs. prayer)

chief priests, teachers of the law, leaders of the people – three opposition groups

trying to kill him – those who should be pointing the way to Jesus!

An application: Three things were happening in the temple: (1) exploiting the people (2) desecrating God's House (3) anti-Gentile activity. The sellers & money-changers actually got in the way of people's worship. Are we welcoming to all people in worship? Or, are there some people we would rather _____ be present?

20:1-8 – The authority of Jesus is questioned

Who gave you this authority – not an honest inquiry, but looking to trap Him

John's baptism...from heaven...or men? – they are put on the hot-seat (and they punt)

20:9-19 – The parable of the tenants

A man...a vineyard – Isaiah compares Israel to a vineyard / God initiates, His work

Sent a servant – actually three, just as God sent the prophets who were treated poorly

my Son whom I love...they threw him out...killed him – clearly, Jesus (Golgotha)

give the vineyard to others – namely, the Gentiles

The stone rejected...become the capstone – from Psalm 118, Messianic

20:20-26 – Paying taxes to Caesar

they sent spies who pretended to be honest – opposition is at a crescendo; Jesus knows!

You speak and teach what is right...in accordance with the truth – lies!!! (cf. 23:2)

Is it right for us to pay taxes to Caesar – a carefully laid trap (which springs on them!)

Give to Caesar...give to God – they are unable to trap him...they fall silent

An application: Just as the coin paid to Caesar carries his image, so people bear the image of _____ (Gen. 1:27) and belong to Him. We are called to be both, good citizens and good Christians.

20:27-44 – The resurrection and marriage / Whose son is the Christ?

Sadducees...no resurrection – they were “sad, you see” (also no angels/only Pentateuch)

whose wife will she be – a ridiculous question (based on Levirate marriage)

even Moses showed that the dead rise – Jesus references their Scriptures

neither marry nor be given in marriage – neither birth nor death, not like life now

David calls him, Lord...his son? – more than just a son, He is David's Lord

An application: Human relationships end with death, but the relationship a person has with _____ is eternal. It begins in this life, in Holy Baptism, and continues forever in heaven.