

# The Gospel of the King

## The Parable of the Rejected King

<sup>1</sup> And he began to speak to them in parables. "A man planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a pit for the winepress and built a tower, and leased it to tenants and went into another country. <sup>2</sup> When the season came, he sent a servant to the tenants to get from them some of the fruit of the vineyard. <sup>3</sup> And they took him and beat him and sent him away empty-handed. <sup>4</sup> Again he sent to them another servant, and they struck him on the head and treated him shamefully. <sup>5</sup> And he sent another, and him they killed. And so with many others: some they beat, and some they killed. <sup>6</sup> He had still one other, a beloved son. Finally he sent him to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' <sup>7</sup> But those tenants said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.' <sup>8</sup> And they took him and killed him and threw him out of the vineyard. <sup>9</sup> What will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and destroy the tenants and give the vineyard to others. <sup>10</sup> Have you not read this Scripture: "'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; <sup>11</sup> this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?'" <sup>12</sup> And they were seeking to arrest him but feared the people, for they perceived that he had told the parable against them. So they left him and went away.

- Mark 12:1-12

**The Context:** *Jesus' confrontation with members of the Sanhedrin (Mark 11:27-33)*

**The Judgment Parable:** "a man", "a vineyard", some "tenants", his "servants", and "his son"

### 5 Key Elements:

The \_\_\_\_\_ of God ...

*"A man planted a vineyard ..."*

The \_\_\_\_\_ of God ...

*"... put a fence around it and dug a pit for the winepress and built a tower... When the season came, he sent a servant to the tenants to get from them some of the fruit ..."*

The \_\_\_\_\_ of God ...

*"... he sent a servant ...", "... he sent another ...", "... and he sent another ...",  
"... he had still one other, a beloved son ..."*

The \_\_\_\_\_ of God ...

*"What will the owner of the vineyard do?"*

The \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of God ...

*"The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone ..."*

### My response today:

*"... they perceived that he had told the parable against them ..."*