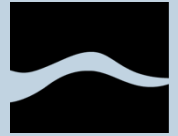


SERMON NOTES

TELL ME ABOUT HIS AUTHORITY REJECTED

Mark 12:1-12



BIG IDEA: To reject Jesus' authority is to reject the authority of the one who sent him

APPLICATION GUIDE

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DISCUSS

Think of a time when you were rejected—maybe for a job, a relationship, or an opportunity. How did you respond in that moment, and what made that rejection especially difficult?

Why do you think rejection—especially personal rejection—affects us so deeply?

EXPLORE

In the parable, how does the vineyard owner treat the tenants, and how do the tenants respond to him and his servants? What pattern do you see developing?

What is different about the son compared to the servants, and why is his arrival the turning point of the parable?

According to verses 9–11, what does the owner do in response to the tenants' actions, and what does the "rejected stone becoming the cornerstone" mean?

How does the tenants' rejection of the son ultimately reflect their attitude toward the owner? What does this teach us about rejecting Jesus and our relationship to God?

APPLY

The sermon emphasized God's patience. In what ways have you personally resisted or ignored God's Word, prompting, or correction?

The tenants rejected the son outright and decisively. While we may not reject Jesus that way, where might you be rejecting him more subtly—through delayed obedience, selective listening, or polite indifference?

If Jesus is the cornerstone, what does it look like practically for you to build your life on him right now? What would need to change?

COMMIT

This week, I will intentionally respond to Jesus' authority by _____ (a specific step of obedience, repentance, or trust), rather than delaying or resisting him.