

Luke 19:28-21:38

Ch 19

Theme – Zacchaeus; Parable of the Minas (occupy/ do business till I come); End of trip to Jerusalem (from Lk 9:51); preparing for Triumphal Entry; “the Stones will cry out!” (v40); Lord weeps over Jerusalem; Lord cleans out the Temple

Ch 20

Theme – Leaders demand to know the source of Lord’s authority; Lord challenges them with question about baptism of John the Baptist; leaders refuse to answer (know they will condemn themselves); Parable of the Vine-Growers; quotes Psalm 118 (last Hallel psalm) about the Stone which the builders rejected; religious leaders send spies to try to catch Jesus is an erroneous statement; give to God what is God’s; Sadducees’ Unanswerable Question; resurrected saints will be like angels (in so far as will no longer die); Scripture (Exodus 3:6) declared idea of resurrection; Ps 110:1 taught that Messiah was more than a mere man; woe to scribes who oppress widows (connects to beginning of ch 21 & reinforces understanding that eyes of the Lord are upon the vulnerable)

Ch 21

Theme – Widow’s Mites; Disciples point out the impressive nature of the structures on Temple Mount; final presentation of the Olivet Discourse (warning not to be misled, everything/ everyone turning on itself, persecution will present opportunities to witness, trust that the Lord will give us the words to speak - v14-15, fall of Jerusalem, days of vengeance- Isaiah 61:2, signs indicating the Lord is returning, purpose of end times prophesy is to put our focus on return of the Lord – v28, Parable of the Fig Tree, we can trust the promise of the Lord, be on guard/ on alert); Lord taught publicly during day, but did not stay in city at night; people gathered around Him early in the day when He taught publicly
