

Kingdom Rising

“Calling Out”

GETTING STARTED

ICE BREAKER: Tell about a time when you went against an authority, to your detriment!

KEY THOUGHT: ***Rejection of Jesus leads to destruction***

GETTING THE POINT

Read Mark 11:27-33

1. How did the religious leaders think they were trapping Jesus by their question?
2. How does Jesus assert His authority in responding to the religious leaders?
3. How did Jesus' question expose the hearts of the religious leaders?

Read Mark 12:1-12

4. What is so surprising about the tenants' handling of the servants who come to collect rent?
5. How does this surprise make the decision of the owner to send his beloved son all the more surprising?
6. What were the religious leaders afraid of with regard to the people (11:32; 12:12)?

GETTING DEEPER

Read Isaiah 5:1-2

1. What similarities do you see between the Isaiah verses and the opening of Jesus' story?
2. What is the irony that Jesus referenced a real prophet as He told a story about prophets?

GETTING PERSONAL

1. In what way(s) does this scene challenge your view of Jesus?
2. How does fear of losing power show up in your own life?
3. The treatment by the tenants of the servants and son is unquestionably horrible. In what ways might you, to a lesser degree, show disrespect or rebellion against God's authority?
4. What is a practical way you can more deeply submit to the authority of Jesus?

PRAY...

that individuals in our church and community will yield in greater measure to Jesus' authority.