I. THE MEANING OF THE PARABLE.

A. The man is God--12:1a

B. The vineyard --12:1b
   1. Could be Israel--Isa. 5:7.
   2. Is the Kingdom of God according to Matthew--Matt. 21:43.

C. The farmers are the Jewish religious leaders--12:1c.

D. The servants were the Prophets--12:2-5.

E. The Son is Jesus--12:6-8.

II. WHAT THIS PARABLE SAYS TO THE JEWISH RELIGIOUS LEADERS.

A. The Jewish religious leaders will be judged--12:9.

B. The Son will be vindicated--Mark 12:10-11.

C. The reaction of the Jewish Religious Leaders--12:12.

III. WHAT DOES THIS PARABLE SAY TO US TODAY?

A. First, there are blessings from being in the Kingdom of God.

B. Second, there are responsibilities for being in the Kingdom of God.

C. Third, there can be judgment in the Kingdom of God.