

Chap. 23 - The Lord's Vineyard



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SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Christ Object Lessons // Questionnaire

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The **Vineyard** represents the house of Israel. See Isa. 5:1, 2, 7. also COL 285.1

The **Hedge** represents the law of God. See COL 287.2

The **Tower** represents Temple of the Lord in their midst. See COL 287.2

The **Fruit** represents character, Israel was to reflect the character of God. See COL 285.1

The **Husbandmen** represents the priests and teachers of the people. See COL 292.1

The **Servants** represent the prophets and messengers who were sent to warn the people. See COL 293.1

The **Son** of course represents JESUS. See COL 293.2

- 1) Synopsis of the parable: **read p. 284.1**. Briefly in your own words what is the purpose of this parable?

- 2) "In the purity of their characters, in the holiness of their lives, in their mercy and lovingkindness and compassion, they were to show that _____ 1
1" Ps. 19:7 (**p. 285.3**)

- 3) "He (God) purposed to give them (the heathen nations) opportunity for becoming acquainted with Him through _____." (**p. 286.1**) Consider Abraham's example in the beginning of the next paragraph and consider how God has over and over again followed the same course in attempt to save "all" nations. (see also Joseph, Moses, Daniel, etc.)

- 4) "Their obedience to the law of God would make them _____ before the nations of the world.... (jump to the end of paragraph) God furnished them with every facility for becoming the _____ on the earth." (**p. 288.3**) (Read p. 288.4 as well in regard to God's purpose in exalting Israel)

- 5) What other laws were the Israelites to be obedient to, in order for them to be a witness for God. (**p. 289.2**)

- 6) Unfaithfulness to God's commandments would forfeit what? (Insert guard rail picture) (**COL 291.1**)

- 7) “He will miserably destroy those wicked men, and will let out His vineyard unto other husbandmen, which shall render Him the fruits in their seasons.” Thus the leaders judged themselves and how was this fulfilled? (p. 294.3; 295.1)

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- 8) “God desired that the whole life of His people should be a _____. _____. Thus His way was to made known upon earth.” (p. 298.4)
- 9) They (the world) are to be turned form their false worship, not by _____ of their idols, but beholding _____.” (p. 299.1)
- 10) “To praise God in fullness and sincerity of heart is as much a duty as is _____.” (p. 299.3)
Such a testimony will have an influence upon others. No more effective means can be employed for _____ to Christ.” (p. 300.2)
- 11) What has Christ spoken to every one of His followers? (p. 300.4)
- 12) What is bringing ruin upon the world today? (p. 302.2)
- 13) Read p. 302.5-7. For personal reflection focus on 302.7 and substitute the word “church, members, and they” with your name. Should Christ come to us personally and ask us these questions could we answer positively?
- 14) “They are doing no positive good; therefore they are doing incalculable harm.” How is this possible? How can it be if your not doing any positive good that you are doing **incalculable** harm? (p. 304.1)
- 15) What are God’s messengers to demand, as Christ had done, from the husbandmen? (p. 306.1)
- 16) Consider p. 306.3 and ask yourself the question is the scorn & rejection of the world that is to be endured for proclaiming God’s character, found in His law, by demonstrating its principles in the life enough to keep you from warning souls ready to perish?