

**Authoritative Lord**  
**Luke 19:45-21:4**

**I. Authority for Change – 19:45-20:8**

1. Authority over the Temple – 19:45-48  
As Messiah & Lord He entered the Temple  
He brought change to the activity there  
Cast out those buying & selling there  
Restated the purpose of the Temple  
“My is a house of prayer” – Isaiah 56:7  
“You have made it a den of thieves”  
Convenience & greed was the order of the day  
He taught daily in the Temple – 47-48  
Religious leaders sought to kill Him  
They were deterred from this by the people  
The people very attentive to hear Jesus
2. Leaders challenge His authority – 20:1-8  
Confronted by chief priests, scribes & elders  
What authority do you have to do these things?  
And who gave you this authority?  
Jesus responds with a challenge – 3-4  
Did John’s ministry have authority from heaven?  
Leader’s refuse to answer – 5-7  
Caught on the horns of a dilemma  
If from heaven why didn’t they believe John  
If from men they will go against the people  
Jesus refuses to answer their question - 8

**II. Parable on Authority – 20:9-18**

1. Owner has authority over vineyard – 9  
Put it in hands of workers while he was away
2. Sent servants to claim some fruit – 10-12  
Beat first one & send him away empty  
Beat second shamefully & sent him empty  
Wounded third & cast him out  
These like prophets sent by God
3. Sent his beloved son – 13-15  
Perhaps they will respect him  
But they cast him out & killed him  
Speaks of God sending His beloved Son
4. What will lord of vineyard do – 15-16  
He will destroy these workers  
And give the vineyard to others  
People said “God forbid”
5. Jesus backed this with Scripture – 17-18  
Quote from Psalm 118:22-23  
Stone rejected by builders is God’s cornerstone  
That stone will crush those who oppose Him

**III. Dealing with Leaders 20:19-38**

1. Leaders plot against Him – 19-20  
Chief priests & scribes want to arrest Him  
They understood parable was against them  
But they were afraid of the people  
Sent spies to listen to Him  
Wanted a charge to bring to the governor

2. Tried to pit Jesus against Caesar – 21-22  
Is it lawful to pay tribute to Caesar?
3. Jesus answers wisely – 23-25  
He understood intent of their question  
“Give Caesar what is due him”  
“And give God was is due Him”
4. His answer silenced leaders – 26
5. Sadducees try theological question – 27-33  
They don’t believe in any resurrection  
Quote Moses on marriage  
Make up a hypothetical issue to trap Jesus  
Seven brothers all married to same woman  
Who will have her as wife in resurrection
6. Jesus responds to their question – 34-36  
Marriage & procreation is for this life  
Resurrection begins an eternal order
7. Jesus proves resurrection - 37-38  
Quotes what Moses wrote in Exodus 3:6  
God is the God of Abraham, Isaac & Jacob  
This is present tense  
They are still alive with God in resurrection

**IV. Jesus Declares Deity – 39-47**

1. Some scribes agree with Jesus – 39-40  
They did not agree with Sadducees  
They had no more questions for Jesus
2. Jesus has a question for them – 41- 44  
Quotes from Psalm 110:1  
David called Messiah Lord  
He must be more than just his son
3. He denounces their hypocrisy – 45-47  
Won’t believe some Scripture  
But profess their godliness

**V. Widow’s Gift – 21:1-4**

1. He sees rich men giving gifts – 1
2. Sees widow giving 2 mites – 2
3. Jesus comments on this – 3-4  
This widow gave more than others  
They gave out of their abundance  
She gave all she had to live on