

# Matthew Ch 21B & 22

*Class for Mar 12, 2023*

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*Logos Class. Mod 5 Room 1*

# Class Schedule for the next few weeks

- ✓ *Feb 19, 2023 - Matthew Ch 19B & 20*
- ✓ *Feb 26, 2023 - Dealing w Persecution and Satan's Attacks*
- ✓ *Mar 5, 2023 - Matt Ch 21A – The Triumphal Entry*
- ✓ *Mar 12, 2023 - Matt Ch 21B-22*
- *Mar 19, 2023 – Matt Ch 23*
- *Mar 26, 2023 – Matt Ch 24A*
- *Apr 2, 2023. - Matt Ch 24B*

*April 9, 2023 – Resurrection Sunday*

# Matt Ch 21      Last Week

- *Last week we discussed the Triumphal Entry by Jesus into Jerusalem*
- *We showed the OT Scripture that validated that this was the time for the Messiah to arrive.*
- *We looked at the prophecy of the “sending”, and the time before He came*
- *We discussed the Withering Fig Tree and what it represented*
- *We discussed the Cleansing of the Temple by Jesus and why*
- *We saw the Jews conspire against Jesus and Jesus confound them*
- *Finally, we talked about the Jews challenging Jesus’ authority to do what He had done and who gave Him the authority*
- *Today we pick up in Matt 21:28, in a parable of the two sons*

# Matt Ch 21:28-32 Parable of the Two Sons

*28 “What do you think? There was a man who had two sons. He went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work today in the vineyard.’<sup>29</sup> “‘I will not,’ he answered, but later he changed his mind and went.*

*30 “Then the father went to the other son and said the same thing. He answered, ‘I will, sir,’ but he did not go.*

*31 “Which of the two did what his father wanted?”*

*“The first,” they answered.*

*Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you. <sup>32</sup> For John came to you to show you the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes did. And even after you saw this, you did not repent and believe him.*

# Matt Ch 21:33-40 The Tenants in the Vineyard

*33 “Listen to another parable: There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some **farmers** and moved to another place.*

*34 When the **harvest time approached**, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his **fruit**.*

*35 “The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third.*

*36 Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way.*

*37 **Last of all, he sent his son to them. ‘They will respect my son,’ he said.***

*38 “But when the **tenants saw the son, they said to each other, ‘This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him and take his inheritance.’***

*39 So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.*

*40 “Therefore, **when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?**”*

# Matt Ch 21:41-46 The Response

*41 “He will bring those wretches to a wretched end,” they replied, “and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time.”*

*42 Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures? (Ps 118:25-26)*

*“The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes’.*

*43 “Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.*

*[44 Anyone who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed.”]*

*45 When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard Jesus’ parables, they knew he was talking about them.*

*46 They looked for a way to arrest him, but they were afraid of the crowd because the people held that he was a prophet.*

# Matt Ch 22:1-7 Wedding Banquet Parable

*22 Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying:*

*2 “The kingdom of heaven is like a **king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son.***

*3 He sent his servants to those who **had been invited** to the banquet to tell them to come, but **they refused to come.***

*4 “Then he sent some more servants and said, ‘**Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner: My oxen and fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.**’*

*5 “But they **paid no attention** and went off—one to his field, another to his business.*

*6 The rest seized his servants, mistreated them and killed them.*

*7 The king was enraged. He sent his army and destroyed those murderers and burned their city.*

# Matt Ch 22:8-14 What does the King do?

***8 “Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come.***

***9 So go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.’***

***10 So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, the bad as well as the good, and the wedding hall was filled with guests.***

***11 “But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. 12 He asked, ‘How did you get in here without wedding clothes, friend?’ The man was speechless.***

***13 “Then the king told the attendants, ‘Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’***

***14 “For many are invited, but few are chosen.”***



# Matt Ch 22:15-22 Paying the Imperial Tax

*<sup>15</sup> Then the Pharisees went out and **laid plans** to trap him in his words.*

*<sup>16</sup> They sent **their disciples** to him **along with the Herodians**. “Teacher,” they said, “**we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren’t swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are.**”*

*<sup>17</sup> **Tell us then, what is your opinion?** Is it right to pay the **imperial tax** to Caesar or not?”*

*<sup>18</sup> But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, “**You *hypocrites*, why are you trying to trap me?**”*

*<sup>19</sup> **Show me the coin used for paying the tax.**” They brought him a denarius,*

*<sup>20</sup> and he asked them, “**Whose image is this? And whose inscription?**”*

*<sup>21</sup> “**Caesar’s,**” they replied.*

*Then he said to them, “**So give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s.**”*

*<sup>22</sup> When they heard this, they **were amazed**. So, they left him and went away.*

# Matt Ch 22:23-28 *Sadducees ask a Q*

*23 That same day the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to him with a question.*

*24 “Teacher,” they said, “Moses told us that if a man dies without having children, his brother must marry the widow and raise up offspring for him.*

*25 Now there were seven brothers among us. The first one married and died, and since he had no children, he left his wife to his brother.*

*26 The same thing happened to the second and third brother, right on down to the seventh.*

*27 Finally (In due time), the woman died.*

***28 Now then, at the resurrection, whose wife will she be of the seven, since all of them were married to her?”***

# Matt Ch 22:29-33 Jesus corrects their thinking

***29 Jesus replied, “You are in error because you do not know the Scriptures or the power of God.***

***30 At the resurrection people will neither marry nor be given in marriage; they will be like the angels in heaven.***

***31 But about the resurrection of the dead—have you not read what God said to you,***

***32 ‘I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob’? He is not the God of the dead but of the living.”***

***33 When the crowds heard this, they were astonished at his teaching.***

# Matt Ch 22:34-40 The Greatest Commandments

*34 Hearing that Jesus had **silenced** the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together.*

*35 One of them, **an expert in the law**, tested him with this question:*

*36 **“Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?”***

*37 Jesus replied: **“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.”***

*38 **This is the first and greatest commandment.***

*39 **And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’***

*40 **All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”***

# Matt Ch 22:41-46 *Jesus asks them a Q*

*41 While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them,*

*42 “What do you think about the Messiah? Whose son is he?”*

*“The son of David,” they replied.*

*43 He said to them, “How is it then that David, **speaking by the Spirit**, calls him ‘**Lord**’? For he says, (Ps 110:1)*

*44 “‘The **Lord** said to **my Lord**:*

*“Sit at my right hand  
until I put your enemies  
under your feet.”’”*

*45 If then David calls him ‘**Lord**,’ how can he be his son?”*

*46 No one could say a word in reply, and from that day on no one dared to ask him any more questions.*

# Civil Obedience – LAB Matthew Commentary p.436

*Jesus taught that Christians should render the things to Caesar, that are Caesar's. In this passage, Jesus did not elaborate on all the issues related to a Christian citizens responsibility to the State, but he did indicate a preference for compliance and civil stability.*

- ***Choose your battle carefully. No state is perfect.***
- ***Cooperate and support the state as far as faith will take you.***  
*Fortunately, in democratic countries (unlike Judea in Jesus' time), we can work for peaceful change through speeches, publications, assemblies, elections, boycotts, and media campaigns.*
- ***Be wary of radicals on the left and reactionaries on the right.***
- ***When resistance is required, pray a lot, and take counsel from Christian friends.***  
*Citizenship requires compromise, but Christians should not compromise Christ, or do injustice before God.*

## *For Next Week...*

- *Come back again...either in person or online through Zoom*
- *We will finish Matthew Ch 23*
- *Pray for our country, State, County, and their leaders*
- *Pray for our Church, Pastors, and all members/visitors*
- ***Pray for FRC as we embark on a journey of Faith & Obedience***

***God Bless you all***

***Thank God each day for the strength to continue...***