Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: “Hear another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce. But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat, another they killed, and a third they stoned. Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones, but they treated them in the same way. Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, “They will respect my son.” But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, “This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.” They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?” They
answered him, “He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times.” Jesus said to them, “Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes? Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit.”

Focus Questions

1. What does the landowner do when he is done planting, digging, and building?

2. What does he do when it is almost vintage time?

3. What do the tenants do to the servants that are sent to the vineyard?

4. What will happen to the stone that the builders rejected?

5. Who will the Kingdom of God be given to?
Crack the Code

**Directions:** Use the word key to crack the code below and learn something special about Jesus!

Scripture tells us that Jesus is the...

| 3 | 15 | 18 | 14 | 5 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 15 | 14 | 5 |

| A=1  B=2  C=3  D=4  E=5  F=6  G=7 |
| H=8  I=9  J=10  K=11  L=12  M=13 |
| N=14  O=15  P=16  Q=17  R=18  S=19 |
| T=20  U=21  V=22  W=23  X=24  Y=25 |
| Z=26 |
Reflection Question

List three ways you can bear fruit in your life this week. (For example, shorten your TV time so you can pray a decade of the rosary first, or Instead of spending money for yourself, donate that money to charity.)

1. __________________________________________________________
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2. __________________________________________________________
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3. __________________________________________________________
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Now do those three things this week!