

The background is a dramatic landscape painting. The upper two-thirds of the image is a dark, turbulent sky with deep blues and blacks, accented with streaks of golden light that suggest a sunset or sunrise. The lower third of the image shows a golden, hilly landscape with rolling dunes and some dark, silhouetted vegetation in the foreground. The overall mood is somber and dramatic.

# THE PARABLE OF THE WICKED TENANTS

## STEWARDSHIP AND JUDGMENT





PRAYER





SCRIPTURE READING:  
**MATTHEW**  
**21:33-46**





# **Understanding the Scene:** **The Parable of the Wicked Tenants**



# **Observation: What is happening?**

- **God built the vineyard with care - v33**
- **His people (the tenants) were called to steward it - v33-34**
- **They rejected His servants and His Son - v35-39**
- **The revelation of God's patience and justice - v40-44**



# **Interpretation:** **What can we learn (interpret) from this?**

- **God Sends People, Even When We Reject Them**
- **Rejecting the Son Leads to Judgment**
- **The Kingdom Is Given to Those Who Will Bear Fruit**





# **Application:** **How can I apply / live this out?**

- **Receive the Son. Don't Reject Him.**
- **Let the Stone Establish and Shape Your Life**
- **Grow and Bear Fruit as Witness to Others**





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The background is a dramatic landscape painting. In the center, a large, simple black cross stands on a small, grassy hill. The sky is dark and turbulent, with several bright, jagged lightning bolts striking down. The foreground shows rolling hills and some dark, silhouetted vegetation. The overall mood is solemn and powerful.

# BENEDICTION