## **LESSION 34**

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Theme: THE PERDITION OF REBELIOUS SINNERS

**Memory Verse**: Matthew 21:43-44 "Therefore say I unto you, the kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof. [44] And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken: but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder".

## **Texts: Mathew 21:42-45**

In the statement of the Pharisees and the chief priests, there are two things that happened to the perdition of rebellious sinners. The first is punishment and second is withdrawal of the vineyard from them. The Jews having rejected the Lord also lost the gospel and the church. The gospel was taken to the Gentiles. This is exactly what happens when a worker in the Church (preacher, leader, chorister or usher) manifests cruelty and hatred, like the husbandmen or lack of love and gentleness instead of righteousness or goes into sin and rebels, denies the faith.

This is the uniform, consistent teaching of the Bible. The husbandmen (Israel) in the Lord's parable were punished severely. Jesus here points to the picture of the rejected stone. He told His audience that the stone they rejected was the Chief Cornerstone which singularly has the potential of keeping everything together. This speaks of Jesus Christ who was rejected by the Jews but is the very foundation of the Kingdom. He is the Saviour, the way that leads to the Father.

We observe in this that it is no use rejecting whoever God has set up because "the counsel of the Lord that shall stand," Jesus, the Truth personified told these Pharisees, Sadducees and scribes the truth but they rejected, charged and ill-treated Him. But that cannot be the end. He underscored the truth of the resurrection here. The Son of the Husbandman who was killed the same is He that became the living Chief Cornerstone or "the head of the corner", the head of the Church. This urges those who reject some doctrines of the word of God to beware lest they reject the Chief Cornerstone. Those who reject the minister of the gospel of truth should also beware lest they reject the fountain where the Lord wants to assuage their thirst.

DAILY BIBLE READING			
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