How can this group support you in prayer this coming week?



The Cornerstone Luke 20:9-18 Danny Hall, 3/25/12

The problem of "me"

The priority of Jesus



### The Cornerstone Luke 20:9-18 Message-based Small Group Lesson

#### Overview

In Luke 20:1-8, the Jewish leaders raise the question of where Jesus' authority comes from. Jesus frustrated their attack on him with his non-answer, and ultimately responds to them with the parable of the wicked tenants in the vineyard. Though they may have been without an answer from Jesus earlier, they certainly understood what he was saying—and whose authority he was under—after hearing this parable.

### **Engaging with each other**

1. Share about a time when you were rejected. How did you handle it?

## **Engaging with the Bible**

- 1. Read Luke 20:9-18
- 2. As you read this parable, what is your initial reaction to the tenants and their response to the landowner?
- 3. Who do the landowner, the tenants, the servants, and the son represent?

- 4. How difficult would it have been for the landowner to send his son? Why did he think that the tenants would respond to him any differently than the servants he had previously sent?
- 5. What is the primary importance of the scripture quoted in verse 17? How does it relate to the parable?
- 6. What impact would this parable and the quoted scripture make on the religious leaders?
- 7. In your own words, describe what you think the main point of the parable is.

# **Engaging with our lives**

- 1. In what ways do you tend to make your faith walk about yourself rather than Jesus?
- 2. What can you do to build your life more solidly on the foundation of Jesus, assuring that he is central in your life?
- 3. Though this is a warning parable, what encouragement can you draw from it?