



5. Finally after many failed attempts, Mark 12:6 says: *“He had one left to send, a son, whom he loved. He sent him last of all, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’* What does this action say about God and what he wants to offer us in Jesus Christ?

6. Talk about the strange logic of verse 7: *“But the tenants said to one another, ‘This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.’*

*“What then will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and kill those tenants and give the vineyard to others. Haven’t you read this passage of Scripture: “The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes’?”* (Mark 12:9-11, quoting Psalm 118:22-23)

7. How does this conclusion give context and understanding to what happened to the nation of Israel and the eventual spread of the gospel to other nations?

### **Application of the Scriptures:**

Why do people today reject Jesus as God’s Son? What responsibility do we have in helping them know him?

How has God shown patience with you, and how might you in turn be his servant to someone in your own sphere of influence?

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