

*Early I Seek Thee*

*The Extreme Patience of God*

**Mark 12:1-12**

*(Parallel Scriptures Matthew 21:33-46; Luke 20:9-19)*

**Read Mark 12:1-8**

1. Who did each represent?  
Planter \_\_\_\_\_; Vineyard \_\_\_\_\_; tenants \_\_\_\_\_; slaves \_\_\_\_\_;  
beloved son \_\_\_\_\_; owner \_\_\_\_\_ **compare Isaiah 5:1-7**
2. What does season represent?  
(Jeremiah 7:25, Jeremiah 25:4-5; Zechariah 1:6)
3. Why were the ones God sent rejected?
4. Why was the beloved son sent to the vineyard when the others who were sent were beaten or killed? What did the tenants want?
5. What was the message of all who were sent?

**Read Mark 12:9-12**

6. What is the consequence of their rejection? Can you refer to other Scriptures that demonstrate consequences for rejection of God's principles? What are they?
7. How does **1 Samuel 16:1-13** compare with **Mark 12:10-11**?
8. Why causes retaliation when the truth is heard? What virtue must we possess to avoid retaliation or rejection when we hear the truth?
9. What adjectives have been used to describe God's chosen people and unbelievers?

**Read Psalm 118:1-9**

What adjectives should be used to describe the Israelites and all believers?