

MOOREBANK & HAMMONDVILLE ANGLICAN CHURCH
QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION OR REFLECTION
Luke 20:1-20

Who are the people who have authority over you? Who do you have authority over?

Read Luke 20:1-8

1. Who is questioning Jesus' authority? What is the specific question? What is the real issue at stake?
2. How does Jesus respond? What does Jesus' response indicate about His authority? What is revealed about the questioners (attitudes, motives etc)?

Read Isaiah 5:1-7 (this provides the background for the parable of the tenants)

3. Who owns the vineyard? Who is the vineyard?
4. What is wrong with the vineyard? Is it the owner's fault?
5. What is the owner going to do to his vineyard because of this?

Read Luke 20:9-20

6. What do the 'owner', the 'servants' and the 'son' in vv9-16 represent? What about the vineyard?
7. How does the parable answer the question Jesus was asked in v2?
8. In v17, what does the rejected stone refer to (cf. 1 Peter 2:4-8)? What will happen to this 'rejected stone'?
9. What does Jesus warn will happen to those who reject the Son?
10. What does this teach us about whom the vineyard will be given to, i.e. who God's people really are?
11. Do the leaders know Jesus is addressing them? (v19-20) What is their response?
12. In what sense is Jesus' authority challenged in our world?
13. How does Jesus have authority over your life? (i.e. what things might you do differently if you weren't a Christian?)