

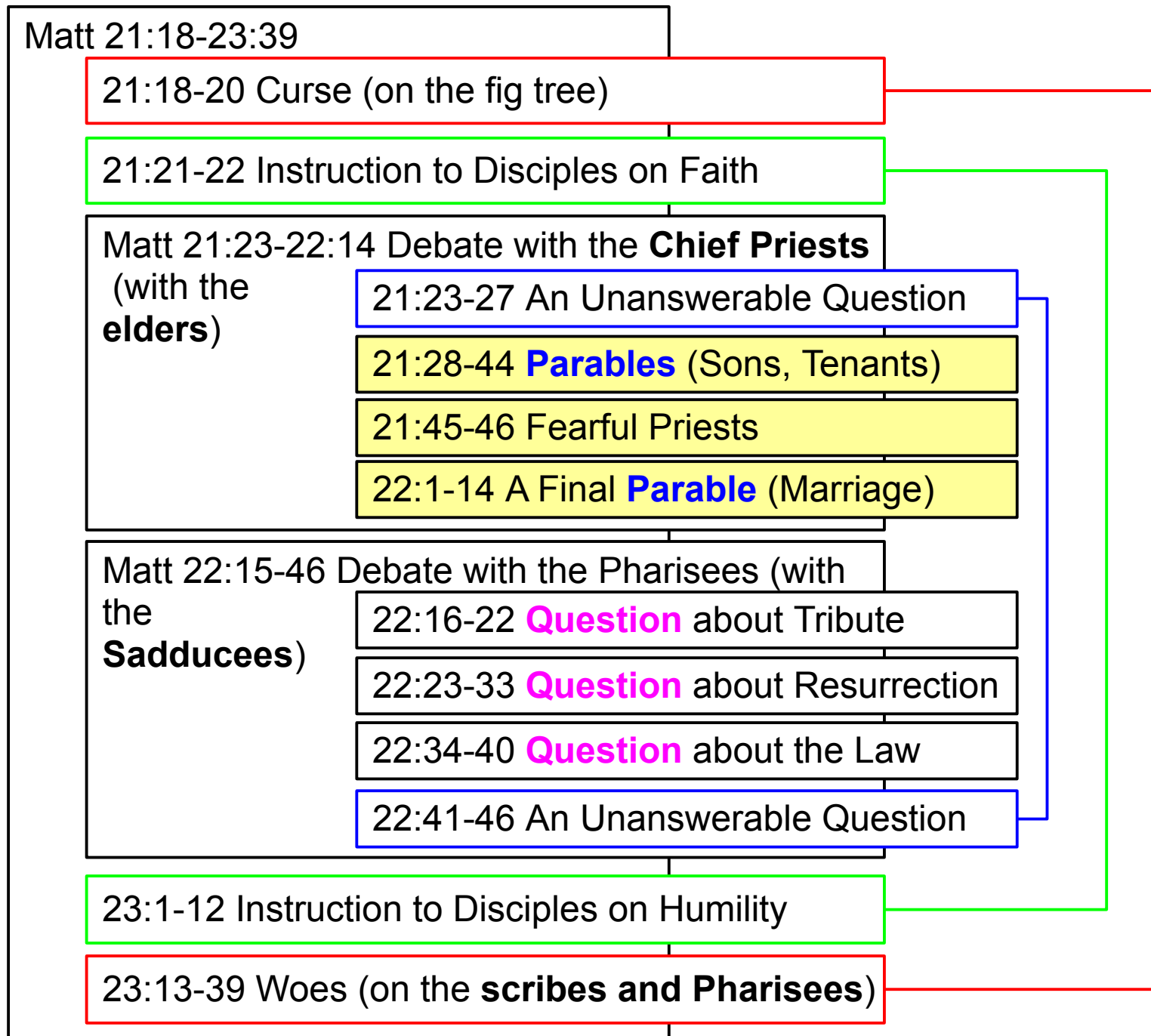
Treasure Hunt

- How do vv. 43-44 correspond to the Chief Priests' interpretation in v. 41?
- What three OT prophecies about Messiah as the Stone does our Lord reference in vv. 42-44?
- What OT texts lie behind the parable of the wedding feast?
- What other kind of feast is contrasted with this feast by some of these texts?
- What verb is prominent in these texts and also in the parable?
- To what do the repeated calls of the servants to the first guests refer?
- To what does their destruction and that of their city refer?
- To what does the call to the people in the highways refer?

Structure of 20:17-25:45

		Genre	
		Narrative	Exposition
Participants	Disciples	20:17-34 Final Ascent	Ch. 24-25 Olivet Discourse
	Jewish Leaders	21:1-17 Triumphal Entry Cleansing the Temple	21:18-23:39 Great Debate

The Great Debate



The Structure of Psa 118

Psa 118

1 O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is good*: because his mercy *endureth* for ever.

2 Let Israel now say, that his mercy *endureth* for ever.

3 Let the house of Aaron now say, that his mercy *endureth* for ever.

4 Let them now that fear the LORD say, that his mercy *endureth* for ever.

5-18 Israel confesses God's mercy

Israel: 19 Open to me the gates of righteousness: I will go into them, *and* I will praise the LORD.
House of Aaron: 20 This gate of the LORD, into which the righteous shall enter.
Israel: 21 I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation.

22-27 The House of Aaron confesses God's mercy

28 Israel confesses God's mercy

29 O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is good*: because his mercy *endureth* for ever.

22 The stone *which* the builders refused is become the head *stone* of the corner.
23 This is the LORD'S doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

25 **Save now, † we beseech thee הושיעה נא**, O LORD: O LORD, † we beseech thee, send now prosperity.
26 **Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the LORD**: we have blessed you out of the house of the LORD.

Chiasm in 21:41-44

41 They say unto him, He will miserably destroy those wicked men,	44 And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken : but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder .
and will let out his vineyard unto other husbandmen , which shall render him the fruits in their seasons.	43 Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.
42 Jesus saith unto them, Did ye never read in the scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?	

Dan 2:34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet *that were of* iron and clay, and **brake** them to pieces. 35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, **broken** to pieces together, and became **like the chaff** of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth. ... 44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, *but* it shall **break** in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

Stones in Matt 21:42-44

Ps 118:22, 23	Isa 8:14-15	Dan 2:34, 44	Matt 21:42-44
22 The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner.			42...The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner:
23 This is the LORD'S doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.			this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?
		44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom	43 ...The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.
	14 He shall be ... for a stone of stumbling ... 15 And many among them shall stumble, and fall, and be broken, and be snared, and be taken.		44 And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken:
		34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces.	but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.

OT Roots of the Wedding Parable

Isa 25:6 And in this mountain shall the LORD of hosts make unto all people a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined.

Zep 1:7 Hold thy peace at the presence of the Lord GOD: for the day of the LORD *is* at hand: for the LORD hath prepared a sacrifice, he hath bid his **guests**. 8 And it shall come to pass in the day of the LORD'S sacrifice, that I will punish the princes, and the king's children, and all such as are clothed with strange apparel.

Pro 9:1 Wisdom hath builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars: 2 She hath killed her beasts; she hath mingled her wine; she hath also furnished her table. 3 She hath sent forth her maidens: she **crieth** upon the highest places of the city, 4 Whoso *is* simple, let him turn in hither: *as for* him that wanteth understanding, she saith to him, 5 Come, eat of my bread, and drink of the wine *which* I have mingled.

Pro 9:13 A foolish woman *is* clamorous: *she is* simple, and knoweth nothing. 14 For she sitteth at the door of her house, on a seat in the high places of the city, 15 To **call** passengers who go right on their ways: 16 Whoso *is* simple, let him turn in hither: and *as for* him that wanteth understanding, she saith to him, 17 Stolen waters are sweet, and bread *eaten* in secret is pleasant. 18 But he knoweth not that the dead *are* there; *and that* her guests *are* in the depths of hell.

Pro 7:4 Say unto wisdom, Thou *art* my sister; and call understanding *thy* kinswoman: 5 That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger *which* flattereth with her words. 6 For at the window of my house I looked through my casement, 7 And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a young man void of understanding, 8 Passing through the street near her corner; and he went the way to her house, ... 10 And, behold, there met him a woman *with* the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.