

Controversy continues

Lesson aim: To show how the Lord sought through the demonstration of superior knowledge of the truth and strong rebuke to bring His enemies to salvation.

Christ's relationship to David as Son and Lord--Mt. 22:41-46 (Mk. 12:35-37; Lk. 20:41-44)

1. *If David called the Christ "Lord" in Psalm 110, how could the Christ be the son of David?*

Seven woes against the scribes and Pharisees--Mt. 23:1-36

1. *List the inconsistencies and errors of the Pharisees as enumerated by Christ.*

2. *Now, make a corresponding list of things that we should do to avoid their errors.*

Lament over Jerusalem--Mt. 23:37-39

1. *What did Jesus mean when he said, "Your house is left to you desolate?" Why was it so?*

2. *When did Israel's house become a desolation?*

A poor widow's gift of all she had--Mk. 12:41-44 (Lk. 21:1-4)

1. *Why would a widow who put two mites into the treasury have given more than all others who contributed that day?*
2. *What does this teach us about giving?*

Research challenge:

See what you find out about the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in AD 70. How does understanding this event help us with the prophecies of Jesus about His generation?