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Luke breakdown:

1. Birth & Preparation for Ministry (1:1-4:13)
 2. The Galilean Ministry (4:14-9:50)
 3. The Jerusalem Document (9:51-19:48)
 4. *The Passion* (20:1-24:53)
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3 audiences during Temple conflicts:

1. Jesus & Disciples
 2. Jerusalem Leadership – mainly Chief Priests, scribes, & elders but also the Sadducees & “rich” people
 3. General Public of Jews
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Progression in this chapter:

1. Jesus bests His detractors (20:1-40)
 2. Goes on the Offensive – asserts the basis for His authority (20:41-44)
 3. Denounces His opponents as people opposed to God (20:45-21:4)
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1st Section – Conflict with Jerusalem Leadership

- Luke 20:1-8



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Jerusalem Leadership's collective authority:

1. Their birthrights as priests
 2. Association/administration of the Temple
 3. Education
 4. Good fortune of their birth into wealthy families of status
 5. Above all their connection/proximity to the Temple
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Question put to Jesus based upon:

1. Jesus is not a priest
2. Has no official role in the Temple



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- Luke 20:9-19

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Stanza 1:

- Luke 20:9

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Is. 5:1-7 Let me sing now for my well-beloved A song of my beloved concerning His vineyard. My well-beloved had a vineyard on a fertile hill.

He dug it all around, removed its stones, And planted it with the choicest vine. And He built a tower in the middle of it And also hewed out a wine vat in it; Then He expected it to produce good grapes, But it produced only worthless ones.

“And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, Judge between Me and My vineyard.

“What more was there to do for My vineyard that I have not done in it? Why, when I expected it to produce good grapes did it produce worthless ones?

“So now let Me tell you what I am going to do to My vineyard: I will remove its hedge and it will be consumed; I will break down its wall and it will become trampled ground.

“I will lay it waste; It will not be pruned or hoed, But briars and thorns will come up. I will also charge the clouds to rain no rain on it.”

For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel And the men of Judah His delightful plant. Thus He looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; For righteousness, but behold, a cry of distress.

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Jesus' Parabolic shift from Isaiah 5:

1. Jesus has attempted to reorient Israel's Leadership around God's redemptive plan
 2. The Temple Leadership Resists it
 3. Result = their own devastation & the transfer of their leadership to others – namely Jesus as King and His Apostles
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Stanzas 2-4:

- Luke 20:10-12

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Stanzas 5:

- Luke 20:13



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- Luke 20:14-19
