

“A Shepherd’s Tools and Wages” (Zechariah 11)

Big Idea: By rejecting the Good Shepherd, the flock and their worthless shepherds doomed themselves.

I. The Text Explained

a. The Awful Doom of the Flock and Its Ruthless Shepherds (verses 1–6)

i. The Announced Approach of Doom (verses 1–3)

ii. The Divine Decision of Doom (verses 4–6)

Mark 12:38–40

b. The Mutual Rejection between the Flock and Its Good Shepherd (verses 7–14)

i. The Good Shepherd’s Benefits Detested (verses 7–11)

Matthew 9:35–10:2a, 5–7; Isaiah 53:3–4; Zechariah 8:10;
Deuteronomy 28:45–46, 49–57; Lamentations 2:20; Luke 19:41–44

ii. The Good Shepherd’s Worth Debased (verses 12–14)

Matthew 26:14–16; 27:3–10

c. The Fitting Judgment on the Flock and Its Worthless Shepherd (verses 15–17)

i. The Savage Folly of the Worthless Shepherd (verses 15–16)

Isaiah 40:10–11

ii. The Fitting Curse upon the Worthless Shepherd (verse 17)

II. The Text Applied

a. The Folly of Fleecing God’s Flock

John 10:7–10; Galatians 4:17–19; Acts 20:25–30; Jude 3–4, 11–13, 16–19; 1
Timothy 6:3–11

b. The Danger of Despising God’s Christ

John 1:9–11; Colossians 2:4–8; Hebrews 3:5–14