

21. The Barren Fig Tree

Luke 13:6-9 AMP

And He told them this parable: A certain man had a fig tree, planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it, but did not find [any].

So he said to the vinedresser, See here! For these three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree and I find none. Cut it down! Why should it continue also to use up the ground [to deplete the soil, intercept the sun, and take up room]?

But he replied to him, Leave it alone, sir, [just] this one more year, till I dig around it and put manure [on the soil].

Then perhaps it will bear fruit after this; but if not, you can cut it down and out.

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Jesus then told them this story:

A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard. One day he went out to pick some figs, but he didn't find any. So he said to the gardener, "For three years I have come looking for figs on this tree, and I haven't found any yet. Chop it down! Why should it take up space?"

The gardener answered, "Master, leave it for another year. I'll dig around it and put some manure on it to make it grow. Maybe it will have figs on it next year. If it doesn't, you can have it cut down."



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ALONE	FOUND	NEXT
ANOTHER	FRUIT	OUT
AROUND	GARDENER	PICK
BEAR	GROUND	ROOM
CHOP	GROWING	SOIL
CONTINUE	INTERCEPT	SPACE
CUT	JUST	SUN
DEplete	LEAVE	THREE
DOWN	LOOKING	VINEDRESSER
FIG	MANURE	YEARS