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Owner of the vineyard--God
Vineyard dresser---Jesus
Fig tree--Isreal--(We are spiritual Isreal--we are grafted in)

1. There is an expectation from the owner - vs. 6

* '...his vineyard'--He owned it--He had expectations for the tree
in his vineyard---|Corinthians 6:19,20--we are not our own--we belong to Him--
we are His temple---He paid the price for us--
'...sought fruit...found none.'-- Matthew 21:18-22--Jesus had created the fig tree,
but it did not provide fruit for it's purpose--Jesus hungers for our praise,
but does He only find leaves?

2. There had been a preparation provided - vs. 7

* Everything had been provided for the tree--
Isaiah 5:1-4---
fenced--protection from outside influences
gathered out stones---to find things that would hinder the growth of the tree,
He didn't just move them, He threw them out---
He planted the choicest vine---God has a perfect plan for each of us--
Built a tower---to be a look out, to see what is 'coming'--The Holy Spirit is the
watchman to let us know things are ahead and helps us prepare
and is with us--
made a winepress---the opportunities God gives us to serve Him---

3. Patience of a loving Savior - vss. 8-9

* The vinedresser asks for more time with the tree--He gives time and love to the tree---
'...till I shall...' He is personally investing in the tree--would others be fruitful if I gave more
instead of reaching for the sickle to cut them down?

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