

THE   
**KINGDOM  
PARABLES**

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# The Kingdom Parables

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This series reviews the parables that define the central theme of Jesus' preaching ministry: seeking and finding the Kingdom of heaven.



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# 1. Introduction to The Kingdom Parables

In this first lesson, Mike will briefly review the history of thought concerning the King and the Kingdom, from the Old Testament prophets to New Testament times.

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**Introduction - The Kingdom is a major theme in Jesus' preaching ministry.**

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## Development of the King and the Kingdom Ideas in the Old Testament

### Theocratic Rulership

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Nimrod - Genesis 10 \_\_\_\_\_

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Abraham \_\_\_\_\_

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Nation of Israel \_\_\_\_\_

### Human Kings

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**God's Relationship with Human Kings**

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God and Saul

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**Man as Divine King**

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God as King

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**The King and the Kingdom in the New Testament**

John the Baptist

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Jesus the Messiah

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Jesus explains:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

Past \_\_\_\_\_

Present \_\_\_\_\_

Future \_\_\_\_\_

## **Kingdom Theology in Post New Testament Times**

Augustine – R.C. \_\_\_\_\_

Protestants – Reformers \_\_\_\_\_

Modern Theology \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus and the Parables \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Types of Parables on the Kingdom

Once people heard Jesus' teachings many turned away from Him because He was not describing the kingdom that they had hoped would come.

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### Introduction - Review key ideas about the Kingdom

God introduced \_\_\_\_\_

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People understood \_\_\_\_\_

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John the Baptist \_\_\_\_\_

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Jesus corrected \_\_\_\_\_

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Jesus used parables because:

A. \_\_\_\_\_

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B. \_\_\_\_\_

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C. \_\_\_\_\_

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## Types of Parables on the Kingdom

5 - Agricultural

4 - Money

2 - Feasts

1 - Fishing

1 - Cooking

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## The Kingdom is like Leaven

Matthew 13:33; Luke 13:20-21

History of leaven \_\_\_\_\_

Parable of the Leaven in the Bread \_\_\_\_\_

Information about the Kingdom:

It is something \_\_\_\_\_

It effects \_\_\_\_\_

There will be \_\_\_\_\_



# The Kingdom is like a Dragnet

Matthew 13:47-50

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Information about the Kingdom

All kinds \_\_\_\_\_

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There is \_\_\_\_\_

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The Kingdom will \_\_\_\_\_

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A warning to everyone:

Those not \_\_\_\_\_

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Those \_\_\_\_\_

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To the \_\_\_\_\_

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### 3. Parable of the Wedding Feast

In this parable, Jesus tells the story itself and then the true meaning of the story as it relates to the Kingdom. (Matthew 22:2-14)

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#### Introduction - Review

Main topic \_\_\_\_\_

Progressive \_\_\_\_\_

Parable means \_\_\_\_\_

Parables explain \_\_\_\_\_

Number of parables \_\_\_\_\_

#### Parable of the Wedding Feast

Matthew 22:2-14

The Story

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The Story Behind the Story

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This parable is really about \_\_\_\_\_

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What we learn about the Kingdom:

The Kingdom is like \_\_\_\_\_

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God invited \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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The rejection of the \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

God sends His army \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

The King invites \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

The King provides \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

One guest enters, but \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

God will judge \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Many are \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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Many are called \_\_\_\_\_

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If you answer \_\_\_\_\_

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If you don't \_\_\_\_\_

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Calvinists' view \_\_\_\_\_

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Bible view \_\_\_\_\_

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God chooses \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Summary**

The Kingdom will be \_\_\_\_\_

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There will be a \_\_\_\_\_

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All are \_\_\_\_\_

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You must be \_\_\_\_\_

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Those who refuse \_\_\_\_\_

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## 4. Parable of the Bridesmaids and Talents

The parable of the Bridesmaids or Foolish Virgins and the one that follows it, the parable of the Talents, are both looking forward to the time when the kingdom on earth will be examined and purged. (Matthew 25:1-13; 14-30)

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### Introduction - Review

The Kingdom \_\_\_\_\_

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The Kingdom exists \_\_\_\_\_

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At the end of the \_\_\_\_\_

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The parables describe \_\_\_\_\_

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A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

### Parable of Bridesmaids and Talents

#### Matthew 25:1-13 - Bridesmaids

##### The Story - Wedding Stages

The Engagement \_\_\_\_\_

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The Betrothal \_\_\_\_\_

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The Wedding \_\_\_\_\_

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**Story Behind the Story**

There will be an end. \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

The end will be sudden. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Everyone in the kingdom will be responsible for themselves. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The union is permanent. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Matthew 25:14-30 - Talents**

**The Story**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**The Story Behind the Story**

\_\_\_\_\_  
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The Parable Teaches:

God looks for \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Everyone has different \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Some will rejoice \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Jesus reinforces the warning concerning His return. Those in the Kingdom need to be:

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## 5. Parables of: Hidden Treasure, Pearl and Debt

Parables are lessons that use physical things and situations in the material world to explain or mirror principles and situations that exist in the spiritual or unseen world. These three parables are excellent examples of this teaching method. (Matthew 13:44-46; 18:21-35)

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### Introduction - Review

Parables are \_\_\_\_\_

Some things we have learned about parables:

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

i. \_\_\_\_\_

ii. \_\_\_\_\_

C. Both dimensions \_\_\_\_\_

D. They describe \_\_\_\_\_

E. They teach us that \_\_\_\_\_

i. \_\_\_\_\_

ii. \_\_\_\_\_



iii. \_\_\_\_\_

iv. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Parables of the Hidden Treasure and Pearl - Matthew 18:44-46**

Parable of the Treasure \_\_\_\_\_

Parable of the Pearl \_\_\_\_\_

Lessons from these parables:

It is not \_\_\_\_\_

It is worth \_\_\_\_\_

### **Parable of the Debt - Matthew 18:21-35**

vs. 21-22 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 23-24 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 25-27 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 28-30 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 31-34 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 35 \_\_\_\_\_

Lessons from the parable of the Debt:

Offenses \_\_\_\_\_

Mercy \_\_\_\_\_

Mercy \_\_\_\_\_

More pieces to the puzzle:

The Kingdom is not \_\_\_\_\_

The Kingdom is \_\_\_\_\_

There are growing pains \_\_\_\_\_

**Summary**

A church \_\_\_\_\_

## 6. Parable of the Sower and the Seed

This lesson begins the final series of parables on the Kingdom - the five parables that use agriculture as a base for their stories. (Matthew 13:1-23)

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### Introduction - Review - Parables so far:

Cooking \_\_\_\_\_

Fishing \_\_\_\_\_

Feasts \_\_\_\_\_

Money \_\_\_\_\_

### Parable of the Sower and Seed

Matthew 13:1-23

The parable has 3 sections:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

### The Parable

Matthew 13:1-9

vs. 1 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 2 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 3a \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 3b-8 \_\_\_\_\_

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vs. 9 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 10 \_\_\_\_\_

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## Reasons for Parables – vs. 11-17

The knowledge of the Kingdom \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 11 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 12 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 13 \_\_\_\_\_

Their use was \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 14-15 \_\_\_\_\_

The fullness of time \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 16-17 \_\_\_\_\_

## The Meaning of the Parable

vs. 18-23

Hard Soil – vs 18-19 \_\_\_\_\_

Rocky Soil – vs. 20-21 \_\_\_\_\_

Thorny Soil – vs. 22 \_\_\_\_\_

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

Good Soil - vs. 23 \_\_\_\_\_

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**Summary**

The Kingdom is planted \_\_\_\_\_

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The Kingdom is planted \_\_\_\_\_

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The Kingdom can \_\_\_\_\_

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The Kingdom grows \_\_\_\_\_

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The Kingdom can \_\_\_\_\_

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## 7. Parable of the Wheat and Tares

By using parables, Jesus was able to teach large crowds but keep the true meaning of His lessons only for those who believed in Him.

(Matthew 13:24-30; 36-43)

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**Introduction - Parables are designed to do two things:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Parable of Wheat and Tares - Matthew 13:24-30; 36-43**

#### **The Parable**

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vs. 24 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 25 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 26 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 27 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 28-29 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 30 \_\_\_\_\_

## Explanation of the Parable

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vs. 36 \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 37-39 \_\_\_\_\_

Son of Man – Daniel 7:13

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Scriptural term \_\_\_\_\_

It was not \_\_\_\_\_

The Field \_\_\_\_\_

The Good Seed \_\_\_\_\_

The Tares \_\_\_\_\_

Hypocrites \_\_\_\_\_

Spies \_\_\_\_\_

Backsliders \_\_\_\_\_

The Influence \_\_\_\_\_

The Harvest \_\_\_\_\_

The Reapers \_\_\_\_\_

vs. 40-43 \_\_\_\_\_

After this separation, the righteous will be:

Glorified \_\_\_\_\_

Exalted \_\_\_\_\_

Light \_\_\_\_\_

**Summary**

The Kingdom is \_\_\_\_\_

There are \_\_\_\_\_

No one \_\_\_\_\_



## 8. Parables of: Seed, Mustard Seed and Workers

This parable likens the mustard seed and plant to God's word and the church that grows from it. (Mark 4:26-39; 30-32; Matthew 20:1-16)

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### Introduction - Review

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Although small \_\_\_\_\_

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It is a \_\_\_\_\_

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People in church \_\_\_\_\_

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God's mercy \_\_\_\_\_

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God will \_\_\_\_\_

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### Parable of the Seed

Mark 4:26-29

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## Parable of the Mustard Seed

Mark 4:30-32

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The parable speaks of rate of growth and precision.

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This parable reinforces the idea \_\_\_\_\_

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## Parable of the workers

Matthew 20:1-16

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This parable teaches several things:

Being in the Kingdom \_\_\_\_\_

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The order in the Kingdom \_\_\_\_\_

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In the church the rules of the world are turned upside down:

The first \_\_\_\_\_

The weak \_\_\_\_\_

The leaders \_\_\_\_\_

**Summary**

Two last ideas:

The church \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The church \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 13:51-52 \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
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If someone knows \_\_\_\_\_  
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