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Such a large crowd gathered around him that he got into a boat to sit while the whole crowd stood on the shore.

Matthew 13:2



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THE EARTHLY MINISTRY OF JESUS

HIS TEACHING MINISTRY

YEAR 1

Teaching the Disciples and the Crowds
Open Teaching to All

THE TURNING POINT

Midway through
Year 2

YEAR 2

Teaching the Disciples with Parables
Parables to Outsiders



GALILEE

Jesus begins teaching in synagogues and among the crowds. (Mark 1:14–45)



THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

Foundational teachings on the Kingdom of God. (Matthew 5–7)



THROUGHOUT GALILEE

Parables, miracles, and teachings as He travels. (Mark 2–6)



TRAINING THE TWELVE

Explaining the Kingdom and preparing them for their mission. (Luke 9)

MATTHEW 13
MARK 4
LUKE 8



PARABLES TO OUTSIDERS

Jesus begins to speak in parables so that “seeing they may see, and not perceive.” (Matt. 13:10–17)



THE KINGDOM IN PARABLES

The mysteries of the Kingdom are revealed through stories and images. (Mark 4:10–12)



EXPLAINED TO THE DISCIPLES

In private, He explains the parables to His disciples. (Mark 4:34)



SPIRITUAL DIVISION

Many reject, while disciples grow in understanding and faith. (Luke 8:10)



THE KINGDOM OF GOD WAS AT THE HEART OF ALL HE TAUGHT.

SEEING HIS GLORY. FOLLOWING HIS WORD.

PARABLES

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MATTHEW

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2. Lamp Under a Bowl	5:14-16
3. Wise and Foolish Builders	7:24-27
4. New Cloth on an Old Coat	9:16
5. New Wine in Old Wineskins	9:17
6. The Sower	13:1-23
7. The Weeds	13:24-30, 36-4
8. The Seed	13:31-32
9. Yeast	13:33
10. The Concealed Treasure	13:44
11. The Pearl	13:45-46
12. The Casting of the Net into the Sea	13:47-50
13. Owner of a House	13:52
14. The Lost Sheep	18:12-14
15. The Unforgiving Servant	18:23-35
16. The Vineyard Workers	20:1-16
17. The Two Sons	21:28-32
18. The Vineyard Owner	21:33-44
19. The Marriage Feast	22:1-14
20. Fig Tree	24:32-35
21. Faithful and Wise Servant	24:45-51
22. Ten Virgins	25:1-13
23. The Talent	25:14-30
24. The Sheep and the Goats	25:31-46



MARK

1. Salt of the Earth	9:50
2. Lamp Under a Bowl	4:21-22
3. New Cloth on an Old Coat	2:21
4. New Wine in Old Wineskins	2:22
5. The Sower	4:1-20
6. Growing Seed	4:26-29
7. The Watchful Servants	13:35-37
8. The Seeds	4:26-32
9. The Vineyard Owner	12:1-11
10. Fig Tree	13:28-31



LUKE

1. Salt of the Earth	8:16, 11:33
2. Lamp Under a Bowl	8:16, 11:33
3. Wise and Foolish Builders	6:47-49
4. New Cloth on an Old Coat	5:36
5. New Wine in Old Wineskins	5:37-39
6. The Two Debtors	7:40-43
7. The Sower	8:4-15
8. The Good Samaritan	10:25-37
9. The Friend at Midnight	11:5-13
10. The Rich Fool	12:13-21
11. The Watchful Servants	12:35-40
12. Unfruitful Fig Tree	13:6-9
13. The Seed	13:18-19
14. Yeast	13:20-21
15. The Lost Sheep	15:3-7
16. Lowest Seat at the Feast	14:7-14
17. The Great Feast	14:16-24
18. Cost of Discipleship	14:28-33
19. The Lost Coin	15:8-10
20. The Prodigal Son	15:11-32
21. The Shrewd Manager	16:1-13
22. The Rich Man and Lazarus	16:19-31
23. Master and His Servant	17:7-10
24. Persistent Widow	18:1-8
25. The Vineyard Owner	20:9-18
26. Fig Tree	21:29-33
27. Faithful and Wise Servant	12:42-48
28. The Pharisee and the Tax Collector	18:9-14
29. The Talent	19:11-27



JOHN

THERE ARE
NO PARABLES
IN THE GOSPEL OF JOHN.

RATHER, SEVEN
"I AM" SAYINGS
AND OTHER METAPHORS.

- I AM the Bread of Life 6:35, 41, 48, 51
- I AM the Light of the World 8:12
- I AM the Gate 10:7, 9
- I AM the Good Shepherd 10:11, 14
- I AM the Resurrection and the Life 11:25
- I AM the Way, the Truth, and the Life 14:6
- I AM the True Vine 15:1, 5

OTHER METAPHORS INCLUDE:



Living Water
4:10-14



Bread of Life
6:22-59



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10:1-18



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15:1-17



JESUS SPOKE IN PARABLES SO THAT PEOPLE MIGHT SEE AND NOT PERCEIVE, AND HEAR AND NOT UNDERSTAND. MATTHEW 13:13

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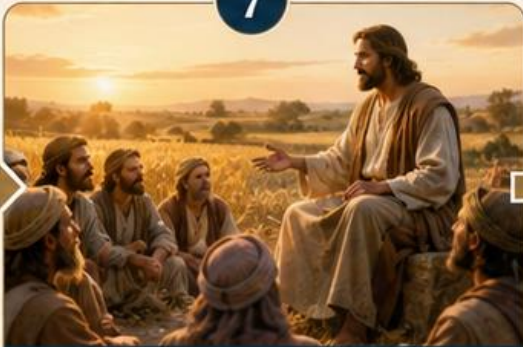
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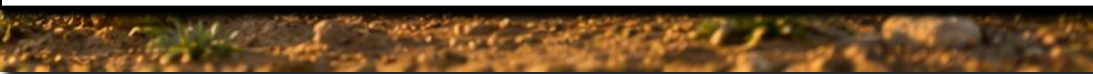
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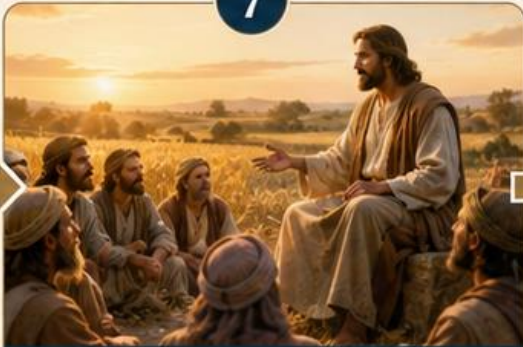
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O my people, listen to my instructions. Open your ears to what I am saying, for I will speak to you in a parable. I will teach you hidden lessons from our past—stories we have heard and known, stories our ancestors handed down to us. We will not hide these truths from our children.

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