



The Parable of the Sower

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Sunday

Parable of the Sower

Bible Reading: Luke 8v4-15

(Matthew 13v1-23; Mark 4v1-20; Luke 8v1-15)

1. Where was Jesus teaching from? (Matthew 13v1-3) *Find the Sea of Galilee on the map*
2. What 4 types of ground did the good seed fall on? (Luke 8v5,6,7,8)
3. What is the good seed a picture of? (v11)
4. What ate the seed on the wayside? (v5)

The wayside is the hard path around the field that people walked on.

5. Who snatches God's Word from our hearts? (v12)
6. Why does the devil want to take God's Word from us? (v12)
7. Why did the seed on the rocky ground soon die? (v6+13)
8. What causes some people to give up believing? (v13)
9. What happened to the seed on the thorny ground? (v7)
10. What chokes God's Word? (v14)
11. What sort of heart does the good ground picture? (v15)
12. What does the good heart do with God's Word? (v15)
13. With what does the good heart bear fruit? (v15)
14. **What sort of heart do you have?**
 - a) You won't believe and so the devil takes God's Word from your heart.
 - b) You did believe but you gave up when things got tough.
 - c) Fun, money, fame, education, and life mean more to you than truly believing.
 - d) The believing heart that lets God's Word grow and bear fruit. Make sure that's you!

"Bring forth fruit with patience" (Luke 8v15)

"So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." (Romans 10v17)

MEANINGS:

'Multitudes' = crowds;

'Parable' = an earthly story with a heavenly meaning;

'Trodden down' = walked on;

'Fowls' = birds;

'Mysteries' = things you can't understand

Think!

It takes time for the seed to grow and bear fruit. It doesn't happen overnight. So the farmer needs patience to wait to the harvest for the fruit. So it takes time for you to grow as a Christian. Have patience and don't give up!

Answers

1) Boat on the Sea of Galilee; 2) Wayside, rocky, thorny, good ground; 3) God's Word; 4) Birds; 5) The devil; 6) So that we won't believe and be saved; 7) Lacked moisture and had no root; 8) Temptation; 9) Thorns choked it; 10) Cares, riches and pleasures of this life; 11) Honest and good; 12) Keeps it and bears fruit; 13) Patience

Monday

Parable of Wheat and Tares

Bible Reading: Matthew 13v24-30, 36-43

1. What did the farmer sow in his field? (v24)
2. Who is the farmer a picture of? (v37)
3. What is the field a picture of? (v38)
4. Who sowed the tares at night? (v25)
5. Who is the enemy a picture of? (v39)
6. Who are the good seed? (v38)
7. Who are the tares? (v38)
8. Why would the farmer not allow his servants to pull up the tares? (v29)
9. What happened to the wheat and tares in the harvest? (v30)
10. Who are the reapers? (v39)
11. When is the harvest? (v39)
12. Where will the children of the devil be cast? (v42)

MEANINGS:

'Tares' = weeds;

'Householder' = house owner;

'Wailing' = long, sad crying;

'Gnashing' = grinding of teeth

Hell is the terrible place of eternal punishment for sins. It is a place of burning fire. There is weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth. But God loves you and He does not want you to go there. Read John 3v16. Become a child of God and He will take you to live with Him in heaven.

"And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal." (Matthew 25v46)

Think!

Are you a wheat or a tare? At the beginning the wheat and the tares look alike. But as they grow bigger and older, it is easier to see the difference. You might pretend to be a Christian now. But as you get older it will show if you really are!

Answers

1) Good seed; 2) Son of Man; 3) World; 4) His enemy; 5) The devil; 6) Children of the kingdom; 7) Children of the wicked one; 8) They could pull up the wheat; 9) Tares were burnt and wheat gathered into barn; 10) Angels; 11) The end of the world; 12) Furnace of fire (hell)

Tuesday Parable of Mustard Seed & The Tempest Stilled

Bible Reading: Mark 4v30-41

(Matthew 8v23-27; Luke 8v22-25)

1. What is the smallest seed? (v31)

Christ's kingdom may have started small. But it will grow to have lots of people in it. People all over the world will get saved.

2. What did Jesus use to teach God's Word? (v33)
3. Who did Jesus explain all parables to? (v34)
4. What did Jesus want to do that evening? (v35) *Find the Sea of Galilee on the map*
5. How bad was the storm? (v37)
6. Where was Jesus? (v38)
7. How did the disciples feel? (v38+40)

Some of them were fishermen. They were used to storms on Galilee. But this was no ordinary storm!

8. What did Jesus say? (v39)

Christ was able to calm the storm because He is God. There is nothing too hard for Him.

9. Why could Christ not have died at this time?

Christ came to earth to die for our sins. He had to sacrifice Himself on the cross for us (Hebrews 9v26; 1 Peter 3v18). He would not die by drowning. Only His blood can wash away our sins (1 John 1v7). "Without shedding of blood is no remission."

10. Who did the disciples need to have faith in?
11. Which is most important to have in the storms of life?
a) Faith in ourselves b) Faith in a church c) Faith in Christ d) No faith
12. What did the disciples say to one another? (v41)

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." (John 14v27)

MEANINGS:

'Parable' = earthly story with a heavenly meaning;

'Expounded' = explained;

'Multitude' = crowd;

'Hinder' = rear, back;

'Perish' = die;

'Fearful' = afraid;

'Exceedingly' = very much

Answers

1) Mustard seed; 2) Parables; 3) His disciples; 4) Go over to the other side of the Sea of Galilee; 5) Great wind and waves, the ship was full of water and they thought they would die; 6) Sleeping in the rear of the boat; 7) Afraid; 8) Peace be still; 9) It was not His time to die on the cross; 10) Christ; 11) Faith in Christ; 12) What manner of man is this that even the wind and the sea obey him

Think!

Christ is Almighty. He can calm the storms in your life too! Maybe you have trouble at home or at school. Things seem impossible. You don't know what to do. Take it to Jesus. Ask Him to calm your storm. But remember He will calm it His way!

Wednesday

Gadarene Demoniac

Bible Reading: Mark 5v1-20

(Matthew 8v28-34; Luke 8v26-40)

1. Where was Jesus? (v1) *Find it on the map*
2. What was wrong with the man who came to Jesus? (v2)

The devil is God's enemy. He was ruining this man's life. This man must have been really scary to meet. He lived in a graveyard. He was wild, breaking chains, crying, and cutting himself.

3. Circle some ways that the devil can destroy our lives:

Violence Charity Drugs Sport
Church Street gangs Education
Alcohol Crime

4. What did he do when he saw Jesus? (v6)
5. What did he call Jesus? (v7)
6. What did he say his name was? (v9)

The demons knew who Jesus was. But Jesus is stronger than the devil and his demons. Christ can defeat the devil.

7. Where did the demons go when Jesus cast them out? (v13)
8. What did the pigs do? (v13)
9. How many pigs were there? (v13)
10. Where was it told? (v14)
11. How was the man when they came to see him? (v15)
12. How did they feel and what did they ask Jesus to do? (v15-17)
13. What did Jesus tell the man to do? (v19)
14. Where did he tell it? (v20) *Find it on the map*

"Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on thee." (Mark 5v19)

Answers

1) Gadara; 2) He had unclean spirit; 3) Violence, drugs, street gangs, alcohol, crime; 4) Worshipped Him; 5) Jesus thou Son of the most high God; 6) Legion; 7) Into the pigs; 8) Ran over a cliff into the sea and drowned; 9) About 2000; 10) In the city and country; 11) Sitting, clothed and in his right mind; 12) They were afraid and asked Jesus to go away; 13) Go home and tell your friends the great things the Lord has done for you; 14) Decapolis

MEANINGS:

'Unclean spirit' = evil spirit, demon;

'Adjure' = command;

'Swine' = pigs;

'Devils' = demons;

'Besought' = asked, begged;

'Ran violently' = ran furiously;

'Compassion' = pity

Think!

You have a choice to make. Will you reject Christ like the people of Gadara? Or will you accept Christ like this man? If you're saved, make sure to tell your family and friends.

Thursday Jairus' Daughter Raised to Life

Bible Reading: Mark 5v21-43

(Matthew 9v18-26; Luke 8v41-56)

1. What sea did Jesus go back over? (v1) *Find it on the map*
2. Who came to meet Jesus? (v22)

Jairus was a ruler of the synagogue. So he was a very religious man. But he fell at Jesus feet to worship him.

3. What did he want Jesus to do? (v23)
4. How long had the woman in the crowd been ill? (v25)
5. She spent all her money on doctors and what happened? (v26)

She couldn't heal herself. The doctors couldn't heal her. Money couldn't buy her healing. And the Old Testament law said she was unclean.

6. What are we like in our sins?
 - a) [Clean / unclean] before God
 - b) Our sin grows [better / worse]
 - c) Can do [nothing / good works] to save ourselves
7. What did Jesus know? (v30)
8. Why did Jesus ask 'Who touched me?'
 - a) He wanted to embarrass the woman
 - b) He wanted her to tell how she had been healed
9. What made the woman whole? (v34)
10. What news came from Jairus' house? (v35)

Imagine how Jairus felt when his little girl died. 'If only I could have got Jesus sooner. Could this woman not have waited?' But Jesus had everything under control. His plan was to raise her from the dead. This would show He is God the Son.

11. What did Jesus say to Jairus? (v36)
12. Who did Jesus take into the room with Him? (v37+40)
13. What did Jesus do for the Jairus' daughter? (v41-43)

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." (John 5v24)

MEANINGS:

'Synagogue' = Jewish place of worship;

'Thronged' = crowded;

'Physician' = doctor;

'Straightway' = immediately;

'Plague' = illness;

'Virtue' = healing;

'Press' = crowd;

'Damsel' = girl;

'Astonished' = surprised

Answers

1) Galilee; 2) Jairus; 3) Heal his daughter; 4) 12 years; 5) She grew worse; 6) a. Unclean, b. Worse, c. Nothing; 7) Healing had gone out of Him; 8) He wanted her to tell how she had been healed; 9) Her faith; 10) His daughter was dead; 11) Be not afraid, only believe; 12) Jairus and his wife, Peter, James, John; 13) Raised her from the dead

Think!

Jesus has power over death. He is the Almighty Son of God. He can deliver you from eternal death in hell. Trust Him as your Saviour.

Friday

The Blind and Dumb Healed

Bible Reading: Matthew 9v27-38

1. Who followed Jesus? (v27)
2. What were they crying? (v27)

Jesus was descended from the great king David. 'Son of David' is a name for the promised Messiah. These 2 blind men seemed to know Jesus was the Messiah.

3. What did they have in Jesus? (v29)

We are born spiritually blind. We need Jesus to save us from sin.

4. What did they do when they left Jesus? (v31)
5. What did Jesus cast out of the dumb man? (v32-33)

Jesus Christ is stronger than the devil and his demons.

6. What did the Pharisees say? (v34)

The Pharisees were religious leaders. They should have known better. But they didn't believe Jesus was God's Son.

7. What did Jesus preach? (v35)
8. How did Jesus feel when He saw the crowds of people? (v36)
9. What were they like? (v36)
10. Whose harvest has few workers in it? (v37-38)
11. What are we to pray for? (v38)

- a) Scientists b) Riches c) Labourers d) Tourists

MEANINGS:

'Straitly' = strictly;
'Possessed with a devil' =
has demon;
'Prince of devils' = Satan;
'Marvelled' = wondered;
'Compassion' = pity;
'Labourers' = workers

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest." (Matthew 9v38)

Think!

Millions of people have never heard the gospel. They're dying in their sins and going to hell. Will you ask God to send people to tell them? Remember God could send you.
Are you willing?

Answers

1) 2 blind men; 2) Thou son of David, have mercy on us; 3) Faith; 4) Told the country about Jesus; 5) Demon; 6) He casteth out devils through the prince of the devils; 7) The gospel; 8) Had compassion on them; 9) Sheep with no shepherd; 10) God's; 11) Labourers

Saturday

Christ Rejected in His own Country & 12 Disciples Sent out

Bible Reading: Mark 6v1-13

1. Where did Jesus go? (v1)

Jesus was brought up in Nazareth. This was His country. *Find it on the map*

2. Who followed Him? (v1)
3. What did Jesus do on the Sabbath day? (v2)
4. What did people call Jesus? (v3)
5. What were Jesus' brothers called? (v3)

Mary had other children after Jesus. Joseph was their father. Notice Jesus had sisters too!

6. Why did Jesus not do many works in His own country? (v4-6)
7. How can we hinder God's work?

- a) Pray expecting God to work
- b) Think things are too hard to change

8. Who were 'the twelve'? (v7)
9. How did Jesus send out His disciples? (v7)
10. What did they preach? (v12)
11. What did they do? (v13)
12. Who will suffer less on the day of judgement? (v11)
 - a) People who rejected the disciples preaching
 - b) People of Sodom and Gomorrah

The people of Sodom and Gomorrah were very sinful. So God destroyed these cities (Genesis 19)

MEANINGS:

'From whence' = from where;

'Wrought' = done;

'Kin' = family, relatives;

'Tolerable' = bearable

"He that is of God heareth God's words." (John 8v47)

Think!

Christ's disciples were not just to pray for labourers. They were to go. It's not enough to pray. We must open our mouths and tell those around us. Perhaps God will send you one day to another country to tell the gospel.

Answers

1) His own country; 2) His disciples; 3) Taught in the synagogue; 4) The carpenter; 5) James, Joses, Judas and Simon; 6) because of their unbelief; 7) Think things are too hard to change; 8) His 12 disciples; 9) Two by two; 10) People should repent; 11) Cast out demons and anointed the sick to heal them; 12) People of Sodom and Gomorrah