

# Parables

Parables... the Greek word Parable denotes a placing beside, to throw or lay beside, to compare. It signifies a placing of one thing beside another with a view of comparison. It is the lesson that is of value but the hearer must catch the analogy if he is to be instructed (also true for Proverbs). Such a narrative or saying, dealing with earthly things with spiritual meaning, is distinct from a fable, which attributes to things what does not belong to them in nature. Christ's parables most frequently convey truths connected with the kingdom of God. His withholding the meaning from his hearers as He did from the multitudes was a Divine judgment upon the unworthy. (Vine's Dictionary)



## Old Testament Parables:

Psalms 78:2 I will open my mouth in parables, I will utter dark sayings

Isaiah 5:1-7 Parable of the Vineyard

Ezekiel 33:1-20 Parable of the Watchman

Ezekiel 34:1-31 Parable of the wicked Shepherds

Habakkuk 2:6 take up a parable against him, and a taunting proverb against him...

## New Testament Parables:

Matthew 13:1-23 (Mark 4:2-20, Luke 8:4-18) Parable of the Seed

Matthew 13:24-30 (Mark 4:26-29) Parable of the Sower

Matthew 13:31-32 (Mark 4:30-34) Parable of the Mustard Seed

Matthew 13:33-35 Parable of the Leaven

Matthew 13:36-44 Parable of the Tares

Matthew 13:45-46 Parable of the Pearl

Matthew 13:47-53 Parable of the Net

Matthew 21:33-46 (Mark 12:1-12, Luke 20:9-18, Mark 12:1-11) Parable of the Vineyard

Matthew 22:1-14 Parable of the Wedding Feast

Matthew 24, Mark 13, Luke 21 end of the world, Parable of the Fig Tree

Luke 5:36-39 Parable of the New Wine

Luke 12:16-21 Parable of the Rich Man

Luke 12:34-48 Parable of the Servants

Luke 13:6-9 Parable of the Fig Tree

Luke 14:16-27 Parable of the Great Supper

Luke 15:3-7 Parable of the Lost Sheep

Luke 15:8-10 Parable of the lost Coin

Luke 15:11-32 Parable of the two sons

Luke 16:1-13 Parable of the Unjust Steward

Luke 16:20-31 Parable of the Beggar and Rich Man

Luke 18:1-8 Parable of the Widow

Luke 18:9-14 Parable of the Pharisee and Publican

Luke 19:12-27 Parable of the Ten Pounds

Mark 3:23-29 Parable of the divided House

John 10:1-17 Parable of the Good Shepherd

## Book of Mormon Parables:

Jacob 3 Jacob's parable of the Vineyard

Alma 16:149-200 Alma's parable of the Seed