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# Jesus **and the** Parables



**HIS DISCIPLES CAME AND ASKED HIM, “WHY DO YOU USE PARABLES WHEN YOU TALK TO THE PEOPLE?” HE REPLIED, “YOU ARE PERMITTED TO UNDERSTAND THE SECRETS OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, BUT OTHERS ARE NOT. TO THOSE WHO LISTEN TO MY TEACHING, MORE UNDERSTANDING WILL BE GIVEN, AND THEY WILL HAVE AN ABUNDANCE OF KNOWLEDGE. BUT FOR THOSE WHO ARE NOT LISTENING, EVEN WHAT LITTLE UNDERSTANDING THEY HAVE WILL BE TAKEN AWAY FROM THEM. THAT IS WHY I USE THESE PARABLES, FOR THEY LOOK, BUT THEY DON’T REALLY SEE. THEY HEAR, BUT THEY DON’T REALLY LISTEN OR UNDERSTAND.**

**THIS FULFILLS THE PROPHECY OF ISAIAH THAT SAYS, 'WHEN YOU HEAR WHAT I SAY, YOU WILL NOT UNDERSTAND. WHEN YOU SEE WHAT I DO, YOU WILL NOT COMPREHEND. FOR THE HEARTS OF THESE PEOPLE ARE HARDENED, AND THEIR EARS CANNOT HEAR, AND THEY HAVE CLOSED THEIR EYES— SO THEIR EYES CANNOT SEE, AND THEIR EARS CANNOT HEAR, AND THEIR HEARTS CANNOT UNDERSTAND, AND THEY CANNOT TURN TO ME AND LET ME HEAL THEM.' "BUT BLESSED ARE YOUR EYES, BECAUSE THEY SEE; AND YOUR EARS, BECAUSE THEY HEAR.**

**-MATTHEW 13:10-16 NLT**

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**“AGAIN, THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE A MERCHANT IN SEARCH OF FINE PEARLS, WHO, ON FINDING ONE PEARL OF GREAT VALUE, WENT AND SOLD ALL THAT HE HAD AND BOUGHT IT.**

**-MATTHEW 13:44-46 ESV**

**“THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN  
HAS SUCH GREAT VALUE  
THAT IT IS WORTH GIVING UP  
EVERYTHING FOR IT.”**

**“DO NOT LAY UP FOR YOURSELVES TREASURES ON EARTH,  
WHERE MOTH AND RUST DESTROY AND WHERE  
THIEVES BREAK IN AND STEAL, BUT LAY UP FOR YOURSELVES  
TREASURES IN HEAVEN, WHERE NEITHER MOTH NOR RUST  
DESTROYS AND WHERE THIEVES DO NOT BREAK IN AND  
STEAL. FOR WHERE YOUR TREASURE IS, THERE YOUR HEART  
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**-MATTHEW 6:19-21 ESV**

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