

**Sermon Discussion Questions**  
*For the Week of June 25, 2023*

**Sermon Information:**

The Purpose of Parables  
Matthew 13:10-17, 34-35

Why did Jesus teach in parables?

To Conceal

To Reveal

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Is there a particular parable from Jesus that has connected with you or impacted you? Is there one that you have found confusing or perplexing?
2. Read Matthew 13:12. How could this verse be misunderstood? What is the meaning of this verse based on its context?
3. Does it seem strange that Jesus would want these teachings to be concealed from unbelievers? Read Matthew 13:13-15. How do Jesus' words help us to understand why he is teaching the way that he is?
4. Read Matthew 13:17 and Hebrews 11:39-40. What do these verses teach us? How can we rejoice at our place in redemptive history?
5. Psalm 119:18 states, "Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law." Would you make that your prayer this week? How can you encourage others towards this end?