

THE PARABLE TREE

The Parable Tree is a Christmas tree with Parable Ornaments on it (either by themselves or with other ornaments). Parable Ornaments are ornaments which symbolize the Parables of Jesus which are found throughout the gospels. There is one ornament for each of the different parables.

A parable is a story used to communicate truth by comparison. Read the parables and commentaries about them, then let the ornaments be a reminder to you of Jesus' stories. Also use them to help explain the gospel to others. Encourage them to read the parables by sharing this handout.

<u>Parables of Jesus</u>	<u>Matthew</u>	<u>Mark</u>	<u>Luke</u>
1. Lamp Under a Basket	5:14-16	4:21-22	8:16,17;1133-36
2. A Wise Man Builds on Rock and a Foolish Man on Sand	7:24-27	.....	6:47-49
3. Unshrunk (New) Cloth on an Old Garment.....	9:16	2:21	5:36
4. New Wine in Old Wineskins.....	9:17	2:22	5:37, 38
5. The Sower.....	13:3-23	4:2-20	8:4-15
6. The Tares (Weeds).....	13:24-30,36-43		
7. The Mustard Seed.....	13:31, 32	4:30-32	13:18, 19
8. The Leaven.....	13:33	.....	13:20, 21
9. The Hidden Treasure.....	13:44		
10. The Pearl of Great Price.....	13:45, 46		
11. The Dragnet (Fishnet).....	13:47-50		
12. The Lost Sheep.....	18:12-14	.....	15:3-7
13. The Unforgiving Servant.....	18:23-35		
14. The Workers in the Vineyard.....	20:1-16		
15. The Two Sons.....	21:28-32		
16. The Wicked Vinedressers.....	21:33-45	12:1-12	20:9-19
17. The Wedding Feast.....	22:1-14		
18. The Fig Tree.....	24:32-44	13:28-32	21:29-33
19. The Wise and Foolish Virgins.....	25:1-13		
20. The Talents.....	25:14-30		
21. The Growing Seed.....	.....	4:26-29	
22. The Absent Householder.....	.....	13:33-37	
23. The Creditor and Two Debtors.....	.....	.....	7:41-43
24. The Good Samaritan.....	.....	.....	10:30-37
25. A Friend in Need.....	.....	.....	11:5-13
26. The Rich Fool.....	.....	.....	12:16-21
27. The Watchful Servants.....	.....	.....	12:35-40
28. The Faithful Servant and the Evil Servant.....	.....	.....	12:42-48
29. The Barren Fig Tree.....	.....	.....	13:6-9
30. The Great Supper.....	.....	.....	14:16-24
31. Building a Tower and a King Making War.....	.....	.....	14:25-35
32. The Lost Coin.....	.....	.....	15:8-10
33. The Lost Son (Prodigal Son).....	.....	.....	15:11-32
34. The Unjust Steward.....	.....	.....	16:1-13
35. The Rich Man and Lazarus.....	.....	.....	16:19-31
36. Unprofitable Servants.....	.....	.....	17:7-10
37. The Persistent Widow.....	.....	.....	18:1-8
38. The Pharisee and the Tax Collector.....	.....	.....	18:9-14
39. The Minas (Pounds).....	.....	.....	19:11-27