

4 Real Reasons Why Jesus Taught In Parables



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Jesus didn't always teach in parables.

But do you know why He taught in parables when He did?

Why did Jesus teach in parables?

Four reasons. [Matthew 13:10-17](#)

One because everybody enjoys and **remembers** a good story.

Two because we learn and **remember** better when a subject associates with something we already know and understand.

Three because you understand and **remember** better when you actually do some meditating, studying and research to discover mysterious things on your own.

And four because He fulfilled prophecy so we can recognize and **remember** the truth.

Did you catch the theme?

A parable is like a riddle written as a story that compares two things one of which you understand and the other you're trying to understand.

A parable could also include metaphors, similes and word-pictures.

A good parable will make you visualize the meaning of the hidden subject to understand it better because of the connection to the things you already know about and understand.

Jesus sometimes used animals, farming, and baking because those were subjects that most people understood at that time.

Jesus had a very deep understanding of the things He taught and could've easily explained everything in plain and simple terms.

[Matthew 13:13](#) Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.

But He wants us to **remember** to seek wisdom and understanding this way the things we learn have a better chance of sticking.

Then we'll make fewer mistakes.

And recover quicker from foolish decisions.

Most of the time understanding a parable takes research, repetition and meditation.

A parable doesn't always make sense the first time you hear it.

Especially if you hear it at a younger age.

And sometimes the Holy Spirit will make it more clear just because you spent time meditating on it.

The Bible has plenty of parables, mysteries and riddles waiting for you to discover in the way that you learn best.

When the disciples asked Jesus why did He talk to the people in parables this is what He said:

[Matthew 13:11](#) He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.

Some people believe this means only the chosen can understand the mysteries of God.

But the truth is most people just don't want to seek the truth to make it stay in their heart and sometimes you make more mistakes than you would like before you get it.

But after Jesus sent the multitude away the disciples asked for more understanding of the parables.

And Jesus did explain the meaning of all the parables to His disciples and made sure they understood.

[Matthew 13:51](#) Jesus saith unto them, Have ye understood all these things? They say unto him, Yea, Lord.

I once wrote an article called: [How To Meditate Using The Bible Like A Double-Edged Sword.](#)

Don't tell anybody but back then I was experimenting with my writing style and decided to do an article full of metaphors, similes and word-pictures because I wanted to teach a little more like Jesus because of His parables.

If you read the article you'll understand how I chose a medieval knight style for a comparison scenario to create desire and understanding of the benefits of meditating on the word of God.

It took more care, creativity, research, thought, meditation and imagination to finish that article than most of any other article I've written.

And it was a very fun article to write.

These days I say the same things but I'm much more quick to get to the

point and move on.

Maybe I just need more time to meditate.

Which brings me to the point of what Jesus said after He made sure His disciples understood the parables.

[Matthew 13:52](#) Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe which is instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old.

Praise God if you understand the meaning of this and praise God If you just found yourself in that scripture.

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