

8. What group especially responded with animosity toward Jesus?
9. Review: What are the two reasons why Jesus changed to teaching in parables?
- To continue revealing _____ to the disciples and to do so by using stories to which they could _____.
 - To conceal truth from _____.
10. Was Jesus' teaching in parables an act of judgment or an act of mercy?
11. The spiritual form of the kingdom is something that what group of people knew nothing about?
12. Where do we see that God delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of His Son?
13. Three measures or pecks of meal is equivalent to what modern-day measurement?
14. What does the parable of the "leaven" illustrate?
15. Are you attached to the kingdom genuinely or superficially?
16. What is something that the kingdom (as it permeates all of society) can't be?
17. The influence of the kingdom has gone beyond the spiritual level to what other level?

18. Why is "leaven" not always a reference to evil?
19. In this context, the use of leaven as an illustration is a reference to what?
20. The writer of Psalm 78 wrote his psalm by recording stories that had what applications?
21. The parables found in verses 44-46 emphasize the indescribable value of what?
22. The treasure being hidden pictures the fact that being a true member of the kingdom is what?
23. Absolutely nothing compares with the value of having a what?
24. Luke 12:15-21 illustrates for us our natural tendency to do what?
25. What person (Matthew 19:1-10) illustrates this principle found in this parable?
26. What does the man in Matthew 18:18-23 illustrate?

27. Would you say that your life reflects that you truly believe that being a part of the kingdom is worth more than anything you could ever buy or ever own?

28. From Matthew 16:24-26, what is something you can find by losing it?

29. Are you a member of the kingdom of heaven or are you a tare among the wheat?

30. Have your eyes been opened to see the surpassing value of being a true member of the kingdom?

31. Are you willing to give up anything and everything for being a true member of the kingdom?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

»»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?

»»How can I accomplish this change?

»»What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

1) Read Matthew 1:1-13:53 one time

2) Read Matthew 13 three times

3) What is a dragnet?

4) For whom was hell created?

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THE PARABLES OF THE KINGDOM

Matthew 13:33-35, 44-46

(Series #79)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon "**The Parables of the Kingdom.**" All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. The word "bank" can refer to several different things and the exact meaning of the word is determined by what?

2. The best way to determine the meaning of a word or phrase in Scripture is to see how it is used in what?

3. In the context of Matthew 13, to whom does the phrase, "sons of the kingdom" refer?

4. Where in this gospel do we see that "sons of the kingdom" can also refer to those who end up in hell?

5. The lion is used in Scripture to depict what two persons?

6. Jesus began His ministry by calling people to do what?

7. The vast majority of people responded to Jesus' call to repentance with what two reactions?

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