

# Teaching Ministry: Parables and Stories

Matthew 13; Luke 10, 15; John 10

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**Main Idea:** Jesus' parables reveal what God is like, how He acts, and what He expects of His people.

## INTRODUCTION TO JESUS' PARABLES AND STORIES

### I. THE PARABLES OF MATTHEW 13

Principle: *Despite the great value and influence of the Kingdom, not all will receive it and enter in.*

### II. THE TRUE SHEPHERD, THE GATE, AND THE GOOD SHEPHERD – John 10:1-16

Principle: *The Kingdom of Heaven and true life are only found in Jesus.*

### III. THE GOOD SAMARITAN – Luke 10:25-37

Principle: *Kingdom members have converted hearts.*

### IV. THE LOST SHEEP, LOST COIN, AND LOST SON – Luke 15:1-32

Principle: *God loves the lost and rejoices when they enter His kingdom.*