

More Parables of Jesus

True-False

Look at the underlined word to determine if the statement is true or false. If the statement is true, write *true* in the blank. If the statement is false, write *false* in the blank.

- true 1. When those who were invited to the wedding did not come, the man sent his servants out to invite those who were poor to come.
- false 2. In the parable of the two sons, the second son told his father he would work in the vineyard, and he did. (*did not*)
- true 3. In the parable of the laborers, the owner of the vineyard hired men to work at different times of the day.
- false 4. In the parable of the laborers, the owner of the vineyard paid the men different wages. (*the same*)
- true 5. In the parable of the wicked husbandmen, the husbandmen killed the master's son so they would not have to give the master what was owed.
- false 6. The parable about a friend at midnight teaches us to keep on working. (*praying*)

Discuss: Explain why the false answers are incorrect statements.



Short Answer

Read each question carefully, and write your answer in the blank.

1. In the parable about the two men building homes, on what foundation did the wise man build his home?
rock
2. How can you build your life on a firm foundation?
trusting in Jesus to be your Savior
3. In the parable of the king's wedding feast, what was given to each guest?
a wedding garment or special coat



4. What happened to the guest who refused what the king offered?

He was removed from the banquet.

5. What does this parable teach us about going to heaven?

Answers vary. God wants everyone to come to heaven and provided a way for all. He sent His Son to take the punishment for our sin. Each individual must accept Jesus as his Savior. That is the only way to heaven.

6. The unforgiving servant reminds us that we need to forgive others as Jesus has forgiven us. Are you quick to obey this command?

Discussion/Application

Use these questions to prompt discussion about life applications from lessons.

1. In the parable of the unforgiving servant, the man who owed the king a large sum of money asked the king for mercy and for more time to pay back the debt. How did the king respond?

He showed compassion and forgave the entire amount.

2. When the man went out and found another person who owed him a small amount, what did he do?

He had the man put in prison; he showed no mercy or compassion.

3. How did the king respond when the man he had shown mercy to had no mercy on the second man? *He put the first man in prison.*

4. When we go to God to ask forgiveness for a sin, God always forgives. The Bible tells us in 1 John 1:9, “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” The Bible tells us that we are to forgive others just as Christ forgives us. When someone does something against you and then comes to you and asks for forgiveness, do you forgive? Sometimes it is hard for us to forgive others. We have a hard time forgetting or getting over the hurt. What are some things that you could do to help you forgive someone? *Answers vary. Ask God to help you forgive him. Pray for that person. Include him in games or play. Look for ways to be nice to him.*

5. What did Jesus tell Peter when he asked how many times he should forgive? *See answer below.*

6. What was your favorite parable, and what did you learn from it?

Answers vary.

5. Answers vary. Jesus said to forgive seventy times seven. We should not keep track of how many times we forgive, and forgive every time.



Something to Think About

In the parable of the talents, each man was given a different number of talents. Two were faithful in investing their talents, and one was not. The two who invested the talents had more to give back to the master when he returned. In the parable, talents refer to money. For us today, a talent is a gift or ability given to us by God. God gives us a variety of gifts to serve Him. It honors God when we develop the talents He has given us and use those talents for Him. For example, you may be taking music lessons now, but someday you may play an instrument or sing a song in church. You may have the ability to meet new people and to make them feel welcome in class. God may use you to greet visitors and to make them feel welcome in church.

1. What do you enjoy doing now? *Answers vary.*

2. What are ways God could use your talents in the future? *Answers vary.*

3. What are ways God could use your talents now? *Answers vary.*

Verse to Live By

God wants our best and promises to help us. Look up the verses below and fill in the blanks.

Ecclesiastes 9:10a

“Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might.”

Philippians 4:13

“I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.”