

 **The Gospel of Matthew**

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
*“The Parables of the Kingdom”*  
(part two)  
Matthew 13:24-43

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All these things Jesus spoke to the multitudes in parables, and He did not speak to them without a parable,  
so that what was spoken through the prophet might be fulfilled, saying,  
I WILL OPEN MY MOUTH IN PARABLES;  
I WILL UTTER THINGS HIDDEN SINCE THE FOUNDATION OF THE WORLD.

(Matthew 13:34-35)


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 **Parables of the Kingdom**

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Matthew 13:24-43

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A. Present Nature of the Kingdom

1. Parable of the Tares

- the kingdom of God will be contested by and co-exist with the kingdom Satan until the end of the age

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A. Present Nature of the Kingdom

2. Parable of the Mustard Seed

- though it has small, imperceptible beginnings, the kingdom of heaven will grow and reach its triumphant fulfillment

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A. Present Nature of the Kingdom

3. Parable of the Leaven

- though it has small beginnings, the kingdom of heaven has a permeating, transforming effect that will result in its future glory

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## Parables of the Kingdom

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### B. Future Consummation of the Kingdom

- *“so shall it be at the end of the age”*
  - all sons of the evil one will be removed and cast into fiery judgment
  - the righteous will be glorified and the kingdom of Christ will fill the earth

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## Parables of the Kingdom

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What is the purpose of these parables?

1. To produce a patient endurance and compassion among His disciples
2. To produce a confident hope in a certain, glorious future

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