

Kingdom Come: Living God Reality on Earth

Parables of Jesus

Heavenly Father,

We come before you today with hearts full of gratitude and humility.

Thank you for unchanging nature

We confess our faith that is not merely theoretical, one that actively works, transforming our lives and impacting the world around us for our glory.

We pray that faith truly works.

Help us with struggles, external pressures, difficult circumstances, understanding and isolation.

Give us supernatural perspectives to see these moments not as obstacles to our comfort.

Let perseverance finish its work in our lives so that we become mature and complete, lacking in nothing.

Grant us your divine wisdom, generosity and reproach

Help us to ask in faith without doubting.

Guide our hearts and minds for being double-minded and tossed to.

Establish our minds firmly on your truth and promises.

We recognize that we are tempted when we are tempted when we are lured by our own evil desires.

Deliver us from deception.

Remind us that you are never a source of evil or temptation.

Strengthen our resolve to resist the devil, flee from temptation and draw near you.

Help us confess our sins and purify our hearts and minds from every ungodly thought and intention.

We pray from deeper reception to your world.

Help us humbly accept the word planted in us that can save us.

Do not let us be hearers and deceive ourselves.

Help us keep unstained from the world.

Grant us discernment to recognize and courageously step away from environments, relationships and influences that would pull us away from your truth and towards sin.

Give us hearts of impartiality and genuine love for all people including the poor, marginalized, broken and those people struggling towards sin.

In Jesus name, Amen

The Prodigal Son is a story about a son who leaves home and wastes his inheritance, but is welcomed back by his father when he returns. We live in a society where people do not serve their communities as good Samaritans to people in need. We are looking at our politicians acting childish during this government shutdown while people continue to lose their jobs and benefits. We need to guide people in our community to be compassionate to others in need. That's why we need to have our focus on God and live obedient to God Kingdom. When I was renting other shared room housing in the past and present, I have rented from landlords that showed compassion to their tenants. Mid-Summer 2025 landlord was a landlord that was compassionate because he offered to take you to places like the food pantry if you needed it. We need more people like that in our nation because you have people that are not good samaritan that teach about compassion. We see and hear people hating and envying each other. When I think about this topic, I think about the rich in this country not being good samaritans because the rich like to be picky and hold onto their wealth and do not do enough for the needy. The wealthy can spend money on lavish lifestyles and are very picky to give back to the needy. That's why I supported a progressive tax code in this country before I became ordained pastor. I advocated for millionaire tax in Illinois to allow the wealthy to pay a larger portion of their wealth and income to the government. I support progressive tax code that will allow millionaires to pay a large portion of wealth and income to the federal government as a fixed tax. As a Bishop, I tried to do partnership. People like

Creflo Dollar that build on his wealth for several years will not do that. He lives in a mansion and owns three jets. I do not believe the IRS does not audit people like him and his congregation. When you go to or ask a rich person for money, sponsorship and donation; they will not help people. I continue to say that his congregation started out small and my faith in God started out small in 2011. My faith has grown for God as a mustard seed over the years. I am more obedient to God and read to understand the bible as a mustard seed. The more familiar I became with the bible over the years, I started to grow in faith as a mustard seed. It is people who tell people that they are spiritual, but they do the work to honor and be obedient to God to grow as a mustard seed. It is people out here saying they are christian, but do not grow as a mustard seed to be humble to God. The ten virgins is a story that emphasizes being prepared for the future. We need to determine what talents and spiritual gifts are. I found out my talents and spiritual gifts from a church in 2011 and 2023. My spiritual gifts are shepherding, wisdom, knowledge, exhortation, prophecy and teaching. The rich fool is a warning against hoarding wealth and not prepared spiritually. Parables were not meant to be immediately clear but to stimulate imagination and encourage new understanding. The Parable of the Workers shows that God values mercy and has unconventional standards.

"Jesus spoke all these things to the crowd in parables; he did not say anything to them without using a parable. So was fulfilled what was spoken through the prophet: I will open my mouth in parables, I will utter things hidden since the creation of the world."-Matthew 13:34-35

Jesus used parables to teach the crowds and speak to the public. I want to say parents need to be teaching our children to be good Samaritans because there are too many children and teens getting into trouble in our community. We need to be mentors to these children and teens out here today to teach them to live by rules, law and boundaries. When children and teens are seeing others disobey law and rules, they will do it. When children and teens today see people doing unethical and evil/sinful things, they will follow those people lead to act the same. We need to be supervising and raising our children the right and spiritual way, so they can grow up to be obedient to God, live their life with a good heart. These teens and young people need to stop all this stealing and killing in our communities to start honoring and looking up to people as mentors. When I read the scriptures, I think that people need to be all about doing and taking actions in good faith like Jesus did when he spoke and provided parables to the crowds and in public. When we set goals for ourselves in our life, we need to start working to take action and not be all about all talk. We need to do what Steve Harvey said to his audience on his show about writing down 300 life goals for ourselves so that we can take action and we will guarantee accomplishment in our life. Honestly, I highly respect Steve Harvey because I know about his past history. I look at Steve Harvey as a person we need to learn from him and his past, so we do not have to go through what he went through. I look at people like Steve Harvey as a good samaritan that had a tough past and do what they do now to give back to communities. We need to look up to people like that and stop hating on people that do give back and help the less fortunate and people in the world that are struggling. We need to stop with the negative stereotypes about each other to tear people down. We need to help build people up. In order to grow as a mustard seed, we need to seek a deeper and understanding of God's word and how we need to be honoring and obedient to God in our life daily. In order to grow as a mustard seed, we need to be honest and transparent in what we do. When I read and think about this scripture, I think about the Democrats and Hilary Clinton misinformation about Russia and other information trying to interfere in our elections, but it turns out to be a hoax and fraud based on evidence. I say Democrats need to do a lot of repentance for their wrongdoing as a political party. Politicians in the Democratic Party need to repent and provide more truths to the public because that is how they can be looked at as a party people can look up to in future and in elections. Democrats need to move back to the center like they were in the 1990s under Bill Clinton presidency.

We must use our gifts and talents wisely by living for God spiritually to avoid living in sin, bondage, abomination and temptation. We want to use our gifts and talents wisely to let God trust us and our hearts, so when we die and get to heaven that we can walk through the gates of heaven with no problem. We must use our gifts and talents wisely, so we can be living under God's grace and avoid living by mammon and a tax collector. We want to make sure we are 100% living for God's purpose under his grace. Christ Jesus has sacrificed his life for us to die for our sins. I preached a lot about growing as a mustard seed in past sermons in Detroit and Southeast Michigan.

I want to tell a true story about my permanent housing situations in the past. I lived in shared room apartments and shared room living situations that were poor. I can understand why when I watch TV shows like Judge Faith and listen to people suing their landlords or current landlords about the poor living conditions in homes. I have lived in some poor shared room housing homes with good living conditions and some with bad living conditions. I paid rent to a landlord in Baltimore that his property had a history of violations and he had no-shows when inspectors came out to the property. When I lived in permanent housing in Highland Park in the past, the apartment and/or shared room had roaches, mice and bedbugs. After I moved out of the situation, I had to wash all my clothes and make sure there were no rodents in my belongings. I look at some landlords that let people live in poor living conditions. I had to stay at some homeless shelters in the past that were filthy, such as Trenton, NJ; New York, NY; and some in Detroit. I am moving to a cleaner living environment to pay rent to a new landlord.

"The disciples came to him and asked, "Why do you speak to the people in parables? He replied, Because the knowledge of the secrets of the kingdom of heaven has been given to you, but not to them. Whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them."-Matthew 13:10-12

Jesus explains to his disciples why he speaks to the crowds in parables. When I read and think about our parables that we provide to people publicly and with families, we must be willing to listen and understand people to take people seriously. The problem is that people in this world are willing to listen to people, but rather be judgmental and negatively discriminate to think they know it all about people and things. It is a good idea to share our parables with my disciples. That's why I will continue to preach and teach about sharing our parables and truths to them because honestly in our life is part of worship. If you are struggling or having a mental problem, you must be willing to be truthful about it and be willing to tell stories and truths to end their depression, anger and oppression. We must be honest with our heart by avoiding distractions in our life to honor and worship God daily. This will help us to live a clean and righteous heart to God. We need to be approaching scripture curiosity and humanity when we read the bible and live with a strong prayer life to God. We must not just read the bible daily. We must act on what we read in the bible, so we can live a righteous and spiritual life during our Christian journey. We must take action to apply the bible to live a Christian life during our spiritual and christian journey. We must understand that loving the world is not a treasure we want in our life because God treasurer is his kingdom. We need to trust and treat God as our treasurer while living under the grace of God.

"With many similar parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as much as they could understand. He did not say anything to them without using a parable. But when he was alone with his own disciples, he explained everything. That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, Let us go over to the other side. Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, Teacher,

don't you care if we drown? He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, Quiet! Be still! Then the wind died down and it was completely calm. He said to his disciples, Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith? They were terrified and asked each other, Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"-Mark 4:33

Jesus used many parables to teach the crowds. Jesus explains to his disciples that he used parables with the crowds. He explains everything to his disciples privately. Jesus parables what spoken to the crowds to understand. He would explain the full meaning of the parables to the crowds. The parable of the seed shows that while you can sow the seed. God gives growth. Spiritual growth is a process that can seem slow. God has a purpose for slow growth and that is why we must serve and worship God with patience. We must trust God's timing while we are being patient with God's kingdom in order for God to come through for you with a breakthrough in your life. We must be thankful for what has provided for you in your life. We must share good news with your disciples like what Jesus did with his disciples privately. As christians and disciples, we must help sinners and ungodly people see the light.

"I will open my mouth with a parable; I will utter hidden things, things from of old"-Psalm 78:2

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for this time of discussion and fellowship.

Guard our hearts and minds while we live this place and put invisible shields over us this week.

Guide our hearts and let us be obedient in our households, workplace and around others.

Help us with our struggles and guide us though our trials and tribulations

Heal us when we are sick

Thank you for your insights that we shared and for the work that were accomplished here today

We pray as we leave this place you would give us wisdom and strength to carry out our plans and decisions.

Guide us from making decisions by pride, sin and temptation this week.

Go with each of us, keep us safe on our journeys, and help us live out the good intentions of our hearts until we meet again.

Thank you for forgiving us for sins and dying for our sins.

In Jesus name, Amen.