



Jesus' own words tell us why He taught in parables: "Because the secrets of the kingdom of heaven have been given for you to know, but it has not been given to them." (Matthew 13:11) "Them" are those with hard-hearts who rejected Jesus; those who wanted to see more signs and miracles but refused Jesus' message. To you who have eyes to see, the parables are beautiful stories that teach powerful lessons about Jesus being the ONE way to God's Kingdom!

Not everyone followed Jesus. Some were His disciples, yes. But others were angry at what Jesus taught. They didn't believe He was God's son. The Bible says they had hard hearts. And some had rejected Jesus! These same people kept asking to see more proof (signs and miracles) of who Jesus was but nothing they saw helped them accept Jesus' message—that He was God's son! They just would not believe!

Jesus taught in parables to share truth about about God's kingdom. God's kingdom is available to everyone who believes in Jesus as their Savior. There's no other way to get into God's Kingdom except through Jesus.

READ

Matthew 13:10-17
Mark 4:10-12
Why does Jesus teach parables?

DISCUSS

What are your favorite fables?
Read a few and see if there are any Biblical truths in them.

PLAY

Everyone grab a Bible and make or print a list of Bible verses or books of the Bible. Then play Bible drills to find them the fastest.

PRAISE

Choose a favorite praise and worship song. Can you find Bible verses to back up any of the lyrics?

For each AKM Series, we select a memory verse we work on each Sunday.
If you'd like to join us in working on it as a family,
display this page to practice during the week.

Summer Adventure

Take my **YOKE** upon
you and **LEARN** from
me, because I am
LOWLY and **HUMBLE**
in heart, and you will
find **REST** for your
souls.

MATTHEW 11:29



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