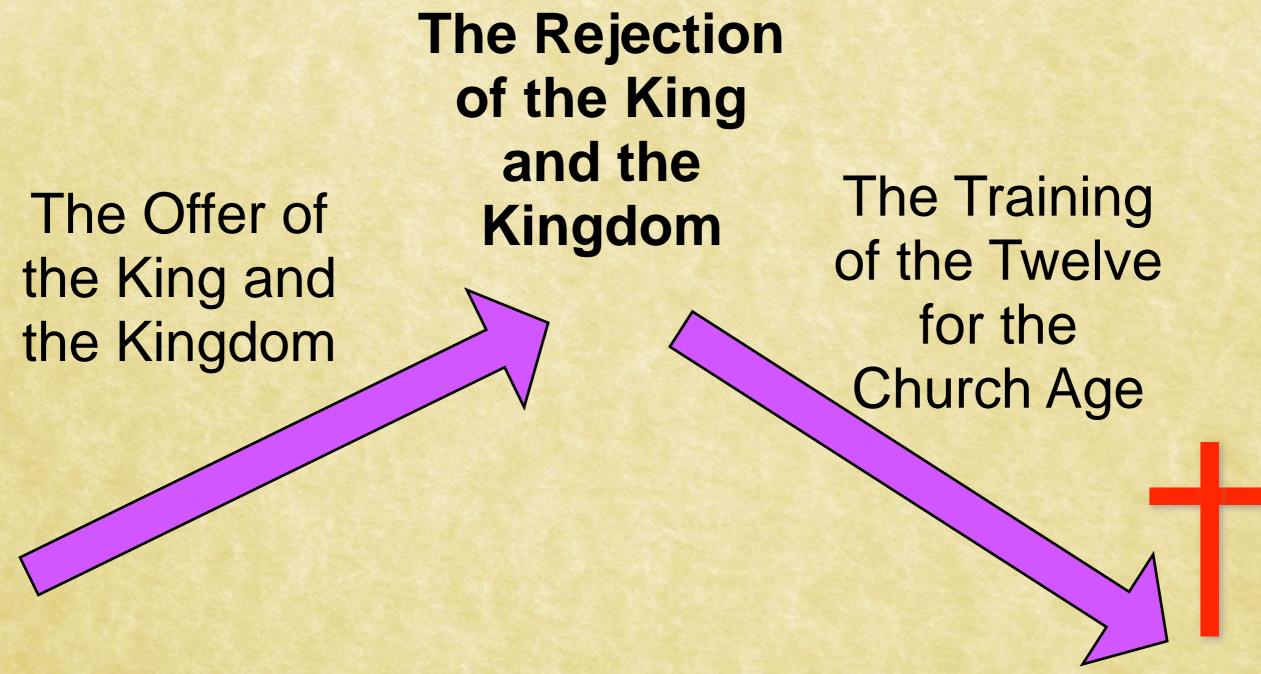
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Pivot in the Life of Christ



The Crucifixion, Death, and Resurrection of the King

Matt. 13:3, "Then He spoke many things to them in parables,"

παραβολή, parabolē; Hebrew, מְשֵׁל, mashal.

A story or saying that illustrates a truth using comparison, hyperbole, or simile. Can be a model, analogy, or example.

Matt. 13:11, "He answered and said to them, 'Because it has been given to you to know the <u>mysteries</u> of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given.'

μυστήριον *mustērion* acc neut plur mystery, secret, <u>a previously unrevealed truth</u>

The "mysteries of the kingdom" describes previously unknown and unrevealed information about the kingdom because it has now been rejected.

Matt. 13:18, "Therefore hear the parable of the sower:

Matt. 13:19, "When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside."

Luke 8:11, "Now the parable is this: The seed is the Word of God.

Luke 8:12, "Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved."

- 1. The parable of the soils 13:3-9; 19-23
- 2. The parable of the wheat and the tares 13:24–30
- 3. The parable of the mustard seed 13:31–32
- 4. The parable of the leaven 13:33–35
- INTERLUDE, 13:36-43
- 5. The parable of the hidden treasure 13:44
- 6. The parable of the pearl of great price 13:45-46
- 7. The parable of the dragnet 13:47–50
- INTERLUDE: Have you understood all these things? 13:51
- 8. The parable of the householder 13:52

Key elements of the Parable of the Soils:

The Sower – The one proclaiming the message of the kingdom; identified as the Son of Man, 13:37

The Seed – the message about the kingdom

The Field – the "heart" (soul, mind) of the individual hearer

The sower = The Son of Man

The good seed = the message

The product of the good seed = believers

The field = the world

The enemy = the devil

Weeds = the children of the evil one

Harvest at the end of the age = resurrection of the living and dead for judgment

The reapers = the angels

The furnace of fire = the Lake of Fire, eternal punishment

Matt. 13:31, "Another parable He put forth to them, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and sowed in his field,

Matt. 13:32, "'which indeed is the least of all the seeds; but when it is grown it is greater than the herbs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and nest in its branches.'"

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Apostasy: 1 Tim 4; 2 Tim 3; Jude, 2 Peter 3, and Revelation 6–19

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Ex. 19:5, "Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine."

Matt. 13:45, "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking beautiful pearls,

Matt. 13:46, "who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had and bought it."

Matt. 13:47, "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet that was cast into the sea and gathered some of every kind,

Matt. 13:48, "which, when it was full, they drew to shore; and they sat down and gathered the good into vessels, but threw the bad away.

Matt. 13:49, "So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come forth, separate the wicked from among the just,

Matt. 13:50, "and cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth."

Matt. 13:51, "Jesus said to them, 'Have you understood all these things?' They said to Him, 'Yes, Lord.'

Matt. 13:52, "Then He said to them, 'Therefore every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure things new and old."