Parables: Stories Jesus Told

GRADE 7

CHAPTER 10 Study Guide

*Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Chapter 10**.*

Through their ministry of evangelization, the Apostles handed on Jesus' message through the words they taught and the good example they gave to others.

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The teaching authority of the Church is called the Magisterium. This teaching authority is held by the pope and by the bishops in union with the pope.

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A doctrine is a belief the Church holds and teaches. A doctrine that is officially defined by the Church as a truth revealed by God is a dogma.

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Jesus used parables to illustrate God's love and reveal the Kingdom of God.

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The parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector teaches that we should not judge others. The parable can be found in Luke 18:9–14.

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The parable of the lost sheep teaches us that God seeks those who have turned from him and rejoices when they return to his ways. The parable can be found in Luke 15:4–7.

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The parable of the workers in the vineyard teaches that even if we repent at the last minute, God will forgive us. See Matthew 20:1–16.

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The parable of the persistent friend teaches us that when God doesn't answer our prayers right away, we should keep praying. Read the parable in Luke 11:5–8.

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The parable of the wedding feast teaches us that the kingdom is open to all people. We are free to enter or not. The parable can be found in Matthew 22:2–14.

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The parable of the sower illustrates how the Word of God lives or dies in the hearts of different people. Jesus uses farming to help people understand. You can read the parable in Matthew 13:3–9,18–23.

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