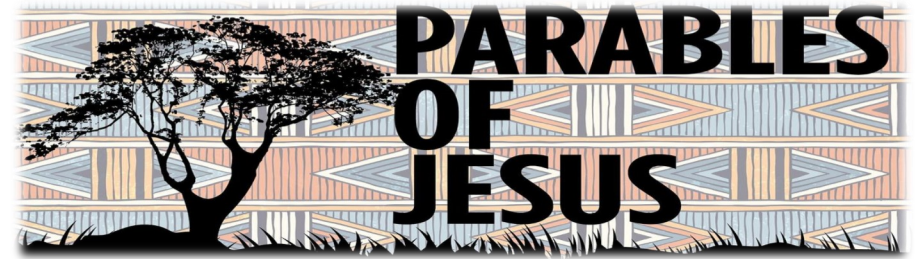


**Reflection Questions:** Do I read/hear the Scriptures regularly? Could I do more? How could I better understand them? To whom am I teaching God's truth? Am I following Jesus' command of *Matthew 28:19-20*? If not, what will I do to be obedient?

How can we pray for one another this week?



Parable of the Head of Household  
*Matthew 13:51-53*

*Sermon*  
*Notes*

May 17, 2020

#### Quotes to Ponder

*The mere form of hearing a sermon can profit no man,  
unless he comprehends what it means.*

*On our part as hearers of the Word, let us take with us to church not only our bodies but our minds, our reason, our hearts and our consciences. God wants to search us out in our innermost being in the proclamation of His Word. And He wants to transform our lives by it.*

J.C. Ryle

*A thoughtless disciple is a contradiction in terms, like a lightless sun or a tiny giant. A walking contradiction.*

David Strain

*It is the will of Christ that those who read and hear the Word should understand it. It is therefore good for us, when we have read or heard the Word, to examine ourselves, to be examined as to whether we have understood it or not.*

Matthew Henry

*The new teachings Jesus' followers are embracing do not do away with the old teachings (those in the Old Testament), but are key to understanding them.*

Leon Morris

*The disciples are not to spurn the old for the sake of the new. Rather, they are to understand the new insights gleaned from Jesus' parables in light of the old truths, and vice versa.*

John MacArthur

1. What in the text/sermon impacted you most? Encouraged you? Convinced you? Challenged you? Confused you? Comforted you?

2. What were Jesus' parables in *Matthew 13* and what do they mean?

A. *verses 3-9, 18-23* —

B. *verses 24-30, 36-43* —

C. *verses 31-32* —

D. *verse 33* —

E. *verse 44* —

F. *verses 45-46* —

G. *verses 47-50* —

3. What did Jesus ask the disciples in *Matthew 13:51*? Why did He ask this question?

How did the disciples answer? Do you think they truly understood? Explain.

4. Now that the disciples were instructed about the *kingdom of heaven*, what were they like? Why?

5. In this parable (*Matthew 13:52*), what is meant by the phrase, *every scribe who has become a disciple*?

6. What did Jesus mean when He described the disciples as *a head of a household, who brings out of his treasure things new and old*?

7. What does the term *brings out* imply the disciples were to do with their treasure?

8. What is Jesus teaching in the parable of the *head of a household* (*verse 52*)?

9. What is meant by the phrase, *brings out of his treasure things new and old* (*Matthew 13:52*)?

10. How should we explain the good news of Jesus to those around us?

11. As scribes who have become disciples of the kingdom of heaven, what must we be doing? Back up your answers with Scripture.