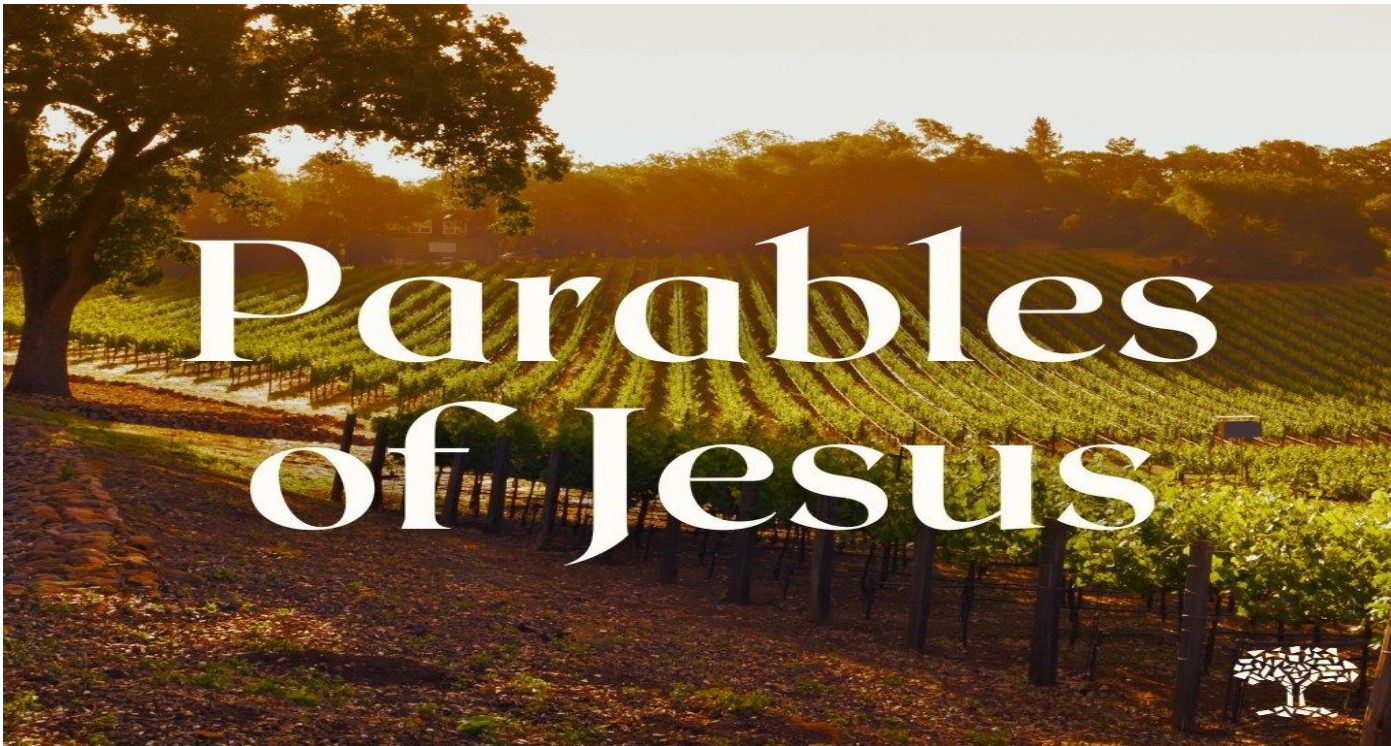


The Parable of the Net

Matthew 13:47-52



Matthew 13 **The Seven Parables** **of the Kingdom**

***“He who has ears,
let him hear.”***



Matthew 13:1-23 The Parable of the Sower

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 The Parable of the Weeds

Matthew 13:31-32 The Parable of the Mustard Seed

Matthew 13:33 The Parable of the Yeast

Matthew 13:44-45 Parable of the Treasure & the Pearl

Matthew 13:47-52 Parable of the Net

Matthew 13:44-45

Twin Parable of the Treasure & the Pearl



The Supreme Hidden Value of the Kingdom

“Is it worth following Jesus in his kingdom?”

YES! A happy Trade off!

Matthew 13:47-50

Parable of the Net



An Urgent Last Call!

“Must I follow Jesus in his kingdom?”

YES! But *“Will you persevere to the end?”*

Matthew 13:47-50

47 'Once again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake and caught all kinds of fish.

48 When it was full, the fishermen pulled it up on the shore. Then they sat down and collected the good fish in baskets, but threw the bad away. 49 This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous 50 and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.



THE PARABLE OF THE
NET

The Parable of the Net/Dragnet

***47** 'Once again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake 'and caught all kinds of fish.'*

No Discrimination

The gospel of the kingdom has been given to everyone

**Different people receive
the gospel differently**



When the Net is Full

'When it was full, the fishermen pulled it up on the shore.'

When fullness of time come

God will gather all the people in.

When gospel has reached all nations

Matthew 14:14

And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.



God will sort out the good fish from bad fish

Then they sat down and collected the good fish in baskets, but threw the bad away.

The good fish will be kept, and the bad ones will be thrown away.

**Only the Good Fish
are Kept**



The Day of Judgment will come

49 This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous

The Angels will separate the good and the bad

2 Thessalonians 1:7-8

“...the Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire, dealing out retribution to those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.”



The bad will be punished

***⁵⁰ and throw them into the blazing furnace,
where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.***

Hell is Real

***Paradise Blessed Abode of the Saved
vs. Flaming Abyss Pit of Hell of the Lost***

Awful and Eternal

***Full of Pain, Mourning, Regrets,
Guilt & Shame***



Who are the good fish and bad fish?

the angels will *'separate the wicked from the righteous.'*

Good = Righteous = Believers

Those made righteous by grace through faith in Jesus in his kingdom

Bad = Wicked = Unbelievers

Those who continue to live the sinful life of unbelief in Jesus



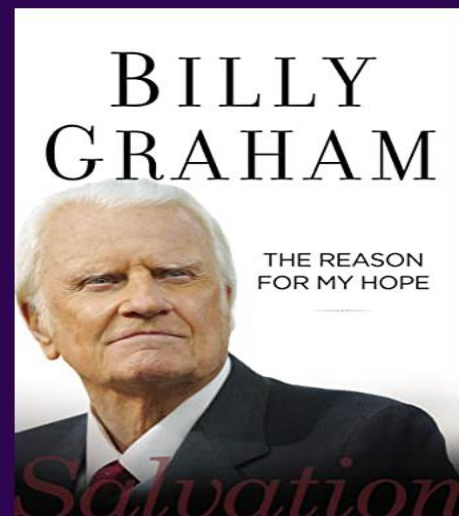
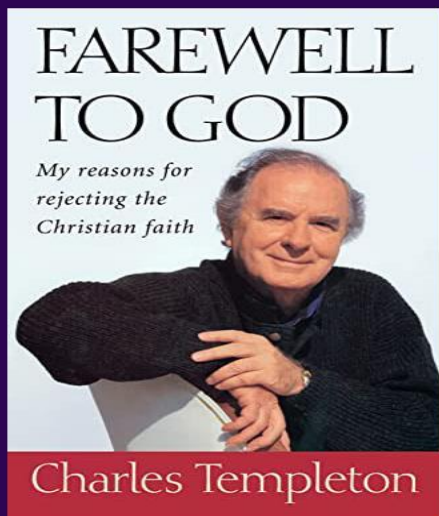
Are you a good or bad fish?

Believers who failed to Persevere

- Demas 2 Timothy 4:10
- Hymenaeus and Alexandra 1 Timothy 1:20
- Diotrephes 3 John 9-10



Billy Graham and Charles Templeton



What if you have become bad?

Repent! God is Gracious.

He forgives and restores us back to fellowship.

Return to the LORD
your God, for he is
merciful and
compassionate, slow to
get angry and filled
with unfailing love.

- Joel 2:13 -



Be like King David

A man after God's own heart

Acts 13:22 *God testified concerning him:*

"I have found David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do."

Not Perfect but Good Heart

Psalm 51

***10** Create in me a pure heart, O God,
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.*



Listen to Jesus' Final Exhortation

'Have you understood all these things?'

- **Sowers** – Receptive Heart to hear and bear fruit
- **Wheat & Weeds** – Live well in this world facing evil
- **Mustard Seed & Yeast** – Its potential & great influence
- **Treasure & Pearl** – Its great values and commitment
- **Net** - Enter and persevere to the end



You have become disciples of Jesus
who will share and teach others

Matthew 13:52

He said to them, Therefore every teacher of the law who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom new treasures as well as old.

Stewardship

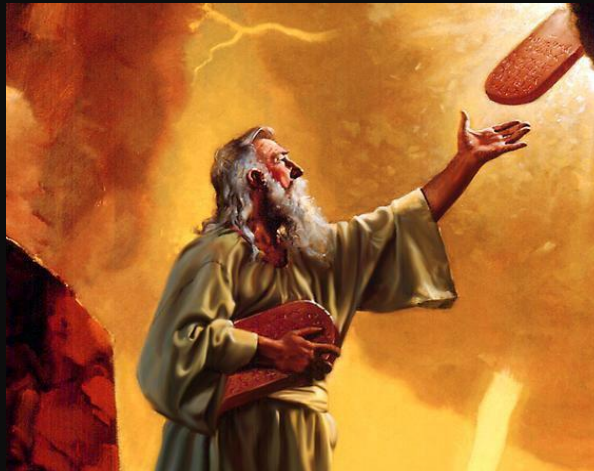
You will bring out your old & new treasures

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Old Treasures of the Old Covenant



- **Abraham's Covenant**
Genesis 17:7
- **Mosaic Covenant**
Exodus 19:5-6
- **Davidic Covenant**
2 Samuel 7:12-13



HE WILL BUILD A HOUSE
FOR MY NAME, AND I WILL
ESTABLISH THE THRONE
OF HIS KINGDOM
FOREVER.

- 2 SAMUEL 7:13

New Treasure of the New Covenant

Jeremiah 31:33; Hebrews 8:10

'This is the covenant that I will make with the people of Israel after that time,' declares the Lord. '

I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people.

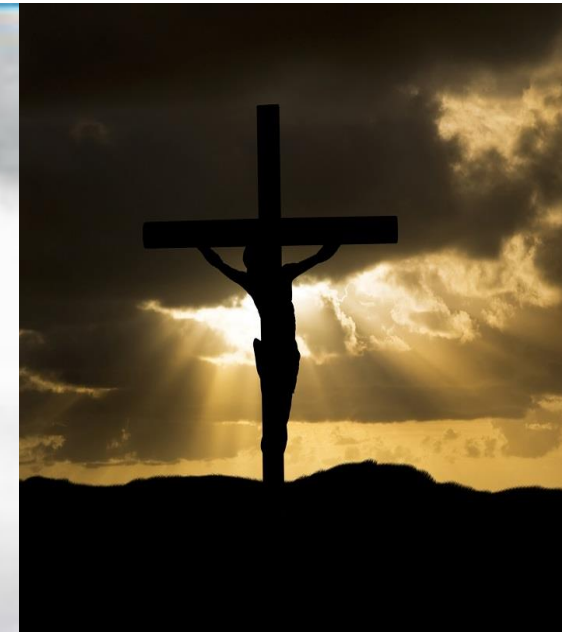
A people belonging to God who know Him and obey His commands readily



Jesus the Messianic King fulfilled it on the cross

Luke 22:20

In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.'



Competent Ministers of the New Covenant

2 Corinthians 3:2-6

6 He has made us competent as ministers of a new covenant – not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

We are letters of recommendation by Christ written with the Spirit in our hearts



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our Treasure!**

**Expand His
Kingdom**



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with God**