



## February 8 – Jesus’ New Manifesto – Stories with Meaning

We all love a good story! We grow up on fairytales and adventure stories, picture books and chapter books. Our lives are told in the form of stories one to another. Jesus knew the power of a good story as well and was a master “story with meaning” teller. Join us this weekend as we look at what Jesus has for us in some of the stories he told!

### REVIEW:

- Jesus talks about the \_\_\_\_\_ more than love
- \_\_\_\_\_ bring the Kingdom alive in this world
- Sermon on the Mount ends with what “rule”?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- When we live this way we \_\_\_\_\_ holes in the \_\_\_\_\_
- Living as the Kingdom is NOT \_\_\_\_\_

### Jesus’ Parables

- Stories aim at:
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_

### Parable #1 Mark 4:30-33 \_\_\_\_\_

Tells us this about the Kingdom:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

**Parable #2 Matthew 25:31-40** \_\_\_\_\_

Lesson to be learned:

- Our \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ for those who struggle matters to God

**Parable #3 Luke 15:11-32** \_\_\_\_\_

- To repent means to \_\_\_\_\_
- Parable really should be called Prodigal \_\_\_\_\_
- What might have been the different response to Jesus' story?
  - Church leaders \_\_\_\_\_
  - "Sinners" \_\_\_\_\_
- Older Son's reaction sees Father's actions as \_\_\_\_\_
- Father's response to older son \_\_\_\_\_
- No one story tells the \_\_\_\_\_ story or \_\_\_\_\_ encapsulates the whole of God and God's Kingdom
- Jesus shows us a beautiful picture of God:
  - One who holds \_\_\_\_\_ of Sermon on Mount
  - One who shows \_\_\_\_\_ grace, love and mercy
- Parables are stories meant to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ us to be more and more like Jesus.