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CHURCH AT HOME

The Parables
Scope and Sequence

Date	Theme	Parable
September 6	Wisdom	The Wise and Foolish Builders
September 13	Belonging	The Prodigal Son
September 20	Forgiveness	The Unforgiving Servant
September 27	Responsibility	The Parable of the Talents

What is a Parable?

A Parable is a story that is used to teach an important lesson. Throughout the Gospels (Mathew, Mark, Luke, and John) Jesus used Parables to teach His followers about the Kingdom of God and how to live God's way.

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Conversation Cards

Wisdom

Parable: The Wise and Foolish Builder
Matthew 7:24-29

Bible Verse: Fear of the Lord is the foundation of wisdom. Knowledge of [God] results in good judgement. **Proverbs 9:10 NLT**

Ask:
1. Why do you think it's better to build a house on rock than on sand?
2. What is wisdom? What does it have to do with building on a firm foundation?

Say: God's wisdom is my firm foundation.

Pray: Dear God, Thank You for giving us the wisdom we need to make good choices and build our life on a firm foundation. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Belonging

Parable: The Prodigal Son
Luke 15:11-32

Bible Verse: Come close to God and God will come close to you. **James 4:8a NLT**

Ask:
1. Why was the father so willing to welcome his son back home?
2. What does this story tell us about God's love for us?

Say: God loves me and welcomes me with open arms.

Pray: Dear God, Thank You that no matter what, we belong to You and You always welcome us with open arms. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Forgiveness

Parable: The Unforgiving Servant
Matthew 18:21-35

Bible Verse: Be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. **Ephesians 4:32 ESV**

Ask:
1. Why do you think it was hard for the servant to forgive even though he had been forgiven?
2. What should we remember the next time we have the choice to forgive someone?

Say: I can forgive others because God forgives me.

Pray: Dear God, Please help us to forgive others just like You have forgiven us. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Responsibility

Parable: The Talents
Matthew 25:14-29

Bible Verse: Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for [man]. **Colossians 3:23 NIV**

Ask:
1. Why do you think the princess made the green servant wash dishes at the party?
2. What does this story teach us about being responsible with what we've been given?

Say: God will help me be responsible with the gifts He's given me.

Pray: Dear God, We want to be responsible with everything You have given us. Please show us how to do good things with our time, talents, and money. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Bible Verse Cards

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Notes Page

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My Favorite Worship Song

Today's Parable

Draw a Scene from the Show

My Show Notes

Today I Learned . . .

Questions I Have . . .

Today I Am Thankful For . . .

My Prayer Request

Come close to God and God will come close to you.

James 4:8a NLT

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GOD ROCKS!

Parable Playhouse Match Up

Match the image from the Parable Playhouse Episode to the story Jesus told.

The Unforgiving Servant
Matthew 18:21-35

This parable is about:

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The Wise and Foolish Builders
Matthew 7:24-28

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The Talents
Matthew 25:14-29

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The Prodigal Son
Luke 15:11-32

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