

Introduction to the Parables of Christ - Part 4

The Purpose of the Parables of Jesus

1st Purpose

TO CONCEAL

To conceal “the mysteries of the Kingdom of heaven.” Jesus began speaking in parables because of the hardness of many people’s hearts. By using parables, Jesus effectively separated the truth-seekers from the curiosity-seekers.

- Matthew 13:10-17

2nd Purpose

TO REVEAL

Jesus would often explain the meaning of parables to His apostles and disciples. An example would be:

- Matthew 13:36-43

