

**Sermon Notes**  
**Week of April 27, 2008**  
**“Knowing Your King”**  
**Luke 19:11-27**

**PARABLES:**

Purpose of parables are to **capture** people with what they are familiar with and move them to an **understanding** of that which is less familiar.

From the realm of the familiar to the realm of the unfamiliar.

Conveying new Spiritual Truths using analogies, **illustrations** & stories that the listener can **relate** to.

Parabolic stories come from **everyday** life, customs, traditions, events, et. al. Parables are **self-contained**. Do not mix.

**THE PARABLE:**

In Jesus' parable there are 3 groups of people.

- (1) Those who **do** what they should (while nobleman is gone)
- (2) Those who **do not** do what they should (while nobleman is gone)
- (3) Those who **hate** the nobleman/King

**YOU ARE IN THE STORY:**

3 possibilities – you are either:

- (1) A **True** Servant
- (2) A **False** Servant
- (3) An **Enemy**

Herod the great had 3 sons:

**Philip**                      **Antipas**                      **Archelaus**

Jesus' **Thesis** is found in v.10, “*For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save the lost*”

He (Jesus) comes to offer salvation to all who would **Confess**, **Repent** & **Believe**,

His (Jesus') stories, were always supporting his thesis. Example: “Lost sheep, lost coin, lost sons, a beggar, Lazarus, leper, publican, blind men, tax collector, et. al.

Everything pointed to him coming to establish an **internal** Kingdom Jesus did / did not come to fix social institutions. Next time he comes (2<sup>nd</sup> **Advent**) He comes back to **fix** everything.

Some of Christ's **followers** asked Jesus, “Lord, will you at this time restore the **Kingdom** to Israel?” (Act 1:6)

They expected the Kingdom **right away** they had a **right** to expect it!

- They interpreted Isaiah, Daniel, & Zachariah **correctly**
- They missed the part about the **cross** in Is. 53 & Ps. 22
- They missed Psalm 16 about the **resurrection**

The word “servant” is best translated **slave**

Verse 14 says “*his citizens hated him.*” Everybody belongs in His **Kingdom**.

You may **reject** Christ

You may **hate** Christ

Christ **owns** you.

Christ is **sovereign** over you.

You may be an atheist, Muslim, Buddhist – Christ owns you.

You live in **His country** - He made the world.

By **creation** he owns you.

No one becomes a believer until they **repent**

You **reject** Christ & he has everything to do with you

You **accept** Christ & he has everything to do with you.

You do nothing with Christ and he has everything to do with you.

Those who reject Christ will face him:

(1) as their **King**

(2) as their **Judge**

(3) as their **executioner**

**GRACE NEVER STOPS:**

The End:

Rewards (v. 17 & 19)

Rejection (v. 24)

Retribution (v. 27)