

CATALYST

VINEYARD CHURCH



Jesus used parables or what we would call relatable stories to simplify profound spiritual truths. The gospel of Matthew has the largest collection of these kingdom parables. In Matthew's gospel Jesus repeatedly states that "The kingdom of heaven is like ... and then he tells a story on a simple common subject to illustrate a deeper truth about the Kingdom of God.

Sunday	DBS Story	Passage(s)
Sunday, March 27	The Four Soils	Matthew 13:1-23
Sunday, April 3	The Weeds	Matthew 13: 24-30; 36-43
Sunday, April 10	The Mustard Seed & The Yeast	Matthew 13:31-35
Sunday, April 17	The Hidden Treasure & The Pearl	Matthew 13:44-46
Sunday, April 24	The Net	Matthew 13:47-52
Sunday, May 1	The Lost Sheep	Matthew 18:10-14
Sunday, May 8	The Unmerciful Servant	Matthew 18:21-35
Sunday, May 15	The Vineyard Workers	Matthew 20:1-16
Sunday, May 22	The Two Sons	Matthew 21:28-32
Sunday, May 29	The Vineyard Tenants	Matthew 21:33-46
Sunday, June 5	The Wedding Banquet	Matthew 22:1-14
Sunday, June 12	The Ten Virgins	Matthew 25:1-13
Sunday, June 19	The Bags of Gold	Matthew 25:14-30
Sunday, June 26	The Sheep & The Goats	Matthew 25:31-46

Discovery Bible Study (DBS) Process & Group Questions

LOOK BACK & CARE

Q1: What are you THANKFUL for?

How did God SHOW UP in your life this past week?

Q2: What CHALLENGES OR STRESSES are you facing in your life right now?

Is there anything the group can do to HELP?

** Pray for each other (the person to your right prays for your need immediately!)*

Q3 a: Did you follow through on your "I WILL DO..." statement?

b: Did you follow through on your "I WILL TELL..." statement?

LOOK UP & DISCOVER

HEAR from God

- READ the passage in at least 2 translations.
- Have everyone RETELL it in their own words.

REFLECT on what it says *(What STANDS OUT to you in the passage?)*

Q4: What does the passage tell us about GOD/JESUS/HOLY SPIRIT?

Q5: What does this passage tell us about PEOPLE?

RESPOND to what is says

Q6: How can you OBEY (put into action) what God is showing you in this passage?

Create an "I WILL DO _____" statement.

SHARE the story

Q7: Who are you going to SHARE this story with, and what you discovered in this passage? Align your story with the passage.

Create an "I WILL TELL _____" statement.

Discovery Group (DBS) Coaching TIPS

1. Ask questions, don't teach.
2. Try to stay in the passage.
 - a) Off Base: Where do you see that in this passage?
 - b) Off Story: Do you mind if we keep to this particular passage?
 - c) Off Mission: Instead of interpreting the passage can we stick to retelling it?
3. Focus on applying what is discovered.
4. Multiply. Find Persons of Peace who can start and lead a group of their own.
5. Pass on leadership. Either coach the Person of Peace from the outside (sidelines) or leave the Discovery Group after no more than 3 gatherings.
6. Always use a team approach (2x2).

