

# MARK - LESSON 3

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## I. JESUS' MIRACULOUS WORK AND TEACHING AROUND THE SEA OF GALILEE (4:1-5:43).

A. Jesus teaches by using parables (4:1-34).

1. The parable of the types of ground the sower sows seed upon (4:1-20).
  - a) The parable spoken with exhortation - "Who hath ears to hear, let him hear" (v.1-9).
  - b) The parable explained in private to the twelve (v. 10-20).
    - (1) Reason for speaking in parables explained - those who are without may see, and not perceive (v.12).
    - (2) The seed sown by the sower is the word of God (v.14).
    - (3) The ground comprises the four types of hearts that hear the Word (v.15-20).
2. The parabolic illustration of the purpose for obtaining a lamp: for all to be able to see (4:21-25).
3. The parable of the growth process of the seed: being patient for it is God who gives the increase (4:26-29).
4. The parable of the grain of mustard seed : the kingdom of God starts small but will become great and beneficial (4:30-32).
5. Parables spoken as people were able to hear it - explanation to disciples in private (4:33-34).

B. Jesus rebukes the wind and calms the sea before fearful disciples (4:35-41).

C. Jesus heals a man possessed of a legion of demons in the country of the Gerasenes (5:1-20).

D. Jesus raises Jarius' little daughter from the dead (5:21-24, 35-43).

E. A woman is healed from a chronic (12 years) bleeding disorder when she touches Jesus' garment as He is journeying to heal Jarius' daughter (5:34).

### QUESTIONS:

1. Where was Jesus sitting when he spoke the parable of the sower ?
2. Why did Jesus speak in parables?
3. To *whom* and *when* did he "explain" the parables?
4. In applying of the parable of the sower to our lives:
  - a. What is the "seed"?
  - b. The different types of ground are different types of \_\_\_\_\_ .

application of the parable of the sower continued...

- c. Who is involved in taking away the seed sown on the "wayside"?
  - d. The rocky ground describes one who never accepts the word (T)  
(F).
  - e. What are the thorns of the "thorny ground"?
  - f. Are there degrees of productivity recognized by God among those who are described as "good ground"?
  - g. Has the ground upon which God's seed is sown changed since Jesus spoke this parable?
5. Of what is the "lamp" a good illustration ?
  6. What is the parable of the man who knoweth not how the seed grows teaching us?
  7. What truth regarding the kingdom does the parable of the mustard seed emphasize?
  8. What all was causing the disciples to fear when the disciples awoke Jesus in a boat?
  9. How did Jesus show his power and authority over "nature"?
  10. Jesus teaches us that the antidote for *fear* is \_\_\_\_\_ .
  11. What did the man possessed with demons cry out when he met Jesus?
  12. How many demons possessed this man?
  13. Why did the people in the country of the Gerasenes want Jesus to leave?
  14. Why was this man a good spokesman for the Lord after he was healed by Jesus?

15. Who was Jarius?  
What did he want Jesus to do for him?
  
16. Who all did Jesus allow to go with him into the room where Jarius's daughter was located?
  
17. What caused the multitude to laugh Jesus to scorn?
  
18. What was the reaction of the people when Damsel arose?
  
19. Describe the faith that allowed the woman with the plague of the issue of blood to be healed?