

Parables in the Synoptic Gospels and Proverbs in John

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
C	1		1	◆	Lk 2.49	My Father's business		1	
						Angels ascending / descending	1	2	Jn 1.47
						The bodily temple	2	3	Jn 2.19
						The uplifted serpent	3	4	Jn 3.14
						The living water	4	5	Jn 4.10
C	2		2	◆	Lk 4.23	Physician, heal thyself		6	
	3	1	3	28, 48	Mt 5.13	Salt losing savor		7	
	4	2	4	17, 35	Mt 5.14,15	Light of lamp		8	
	5	3	5	36	Mt 6.22	Lamp of body is eye		9	
	6	4	6	27	Mt 6.39	Blind guiding blind		10	
	7	5	7		Mt 7.24, Lk 6.47	Builders		11	
C	8		8		Mt 9.12, Mk 2.17, Lk 5.31	Physician and whole		12	
	9	1	9		Mt 9.14, Mk 2.18, Lk 5.33	Bridegroom and fasting		13	
	10	2	10		Mt 9.16, Mk 2.21, Lk 5.36	Cloth		14	
	11	3	11		Mt 9.17, Mk 2.22, Lk 5.37	Wine and wineskins		15	
	12		12		Mt 11.16, Lk 7.31	Children in market		16	
	13		13	◆	Lk 7.41	Two debtors		17	
C	14	1	14	33	Mt 12.29, Mk 3.27	Strong man bound		18	
	15	2	15	34	Mt 12.43	Returning unclean spirit		19	
C	16	1	16		Mt 13.3, Mk 4.2, Lk 8.4	Sower and soils		20	
		2	17	4, 35	Lk 8.16, Mk 4.16	Lamp on a stand		21	
C	17	3	18	◆	Mt 13.24	Wheat and tares		22	
?	18	4	19	◆	Mk 4.26	Seed growing of itself		23	
C	19	5	20	42	Mt 13.31	Mustard seed		24	
	20	6	21	43	Mt 13.33, Mk 4.31	Leaven hidden in meal		25	
C	21	7	22	◆	Mt 13.44	Hidden treasure		26	
C	22	8	23	◆	Mt 13.45	Pearl of great price		27	
	23	9	24	◆	Mt 13.47	Fish net		28	
C	24	10	25	◆	Mt 13.51	Householder		29	
						The bread of life	5	30	Jn 6.35
	25		26		Mt 15.10, Mk 7.14	What defiles		31	
			27	6	Mt 15.14	Blind guides		32	
			28	3, 48	Mk 9.50	Salt and saltiness		33	
C	26		29	49	Mt 18.12	Lost sheep		34	
	27		30	◆	Mt 18.23	Unmerciful servant		35	
						The light of the world	6	36	Jn 8.12
C	28		31	◆	Lk 10.30	Good Samaritan		37	
						The door of the sheepfold	7	38	Jn 10.1
						The good shepherd	8	39	Jn 10.7
	29		32	◆	Lk 11.5	The friend at midnight		40	
C		1	33	14	Lk 11.21	The strong man		41	
		2	34	15	Lk 11.24	Returning evil spirit		42	
		1	35	4, 17	Lk 11.33	The lamp displaced		43	
		2	36	5	Lk 11.34	The lamp of the body		44	
			37	◆	Lk 12.16	The rich fool		45	
C	31	1	38	◆	Lk 12.35	Waiting and watching servant		46	
C	32	2	39	66	Lk 12.39	Master of the house and thief		47	
C	33	3	40	67	Lk 12.42	Faithful and wise steward		48	
C	34		41	◆	Lk 13.6 (cp # 59, 64)	The barren fig tree		49	
C			42	20	Lk 13.18	The mustard seed		50	
			43	21	Lk 13.20	The hidden leaven		51	
	35		44	◆	Lk 14.7	Choosing of chief seats		52	
	36		45	◆	Lk 14.16	The great supper		53	
	37	1	46	◆	Lk 14.28	The unfinished tower		54	
	38	2	47	◆	Lk 14.31	The averted war		55	
		3	48	3, 28	Lk 14.34	Salt		56	
C		1	49	29	Lk 15.1	The lost sheep		57	
	39	2	50	◆	Lk 15.8	The lost coin		58	
	40	3	51	◆	Lk 15.11	The lost son		59	
	41		52	◆	Lk 16.1	The unrighteous steward		60	
	42		53	◆	Lk 16.19	The rich man and Lazarus		61	
	43		54	◆	Lk 17.10	The unprofitable servant		62	
	44		55	◆	Lk 18.1	The unjust judge		63	
	45		56	◆	Lk 18.9	The pharasee and the publican		64	
	46		57	◆	Mt 20.1	The laborers in the vineyard		65	
C	47		58	◆	Lk 19.11	The ten servants and ten pounds		66	
C	48	1	59		Mt 21.18, Mk 11.12 (cp 41, 64)	The cursed fig tree		67	
	49	2	60	◆	Mt 21.28	Two sons bidden to go to work		68	
C	50	3	61		Mt 21.33, Mk 12.1, Lk 20.9	The wicked husbandman		69	
C	51	4	62		Mt 21.42, Mk 12.10, Lk 20.17	The rejected stone		70	
C	52		63	◆	Mt 22.1	The marriage of the King's Son		71	
						The grain of wheat	9	72	Jn 12.20
	53	1	64	◆	Mt 24.32 (cp # 41, 59)	The sprouting fig tree		73	
C	54	2	65	◆	Mk 13.34	The servants and the porter		74	
C		3	66	39	Mt 24.43	The master and the thief		75	
C		4	67	40	Mt 24.45	Faithful and evil servants		76	
C	55	5	68	◆	Mt 25.1	The ten virgins		77	
C	56	6	69	◆	Mt 25.14	The servants and the talents		78	
C	57	7	70	◆	Mt 25.31	The sheep and the goats		79	
						Washing the disciples' feet	10	80	Jn 13.1
						Father's house	11	81	Jn 14.1
						The vine and the branches	12	82	Jn 15.1
						The woman in travail	13	83	Jn 16.20

Columns: **A** indicates if the parable involves Christ (all the proverbs of John do); **B** numbers the parables, not counting ones when repeated on later occasions; **C** shows groupings of parables told on single occasions. **D** numbers the parables counting ones again when repeated on later occasions; **E** cross-references where the same parables are given on multiple occasions—the numbers refer to those in column D; the symbol ◆ indicates that this parable is exclusively found in one gospel—considering both account and occasion; **F** gives references of all accounts of each instance the parable was spoken; **G** titles the parables on the left, proverbs on the right; **H** numbers the proverbs; **I** is the total numbering of parables/proverbs; **J** gives the references of the proverbs. Observations: 70 parables in synoptics, 13 proverbs in John. 11 of the 70 are repeated once, 2 are repeated twice, 57 are distinct, 13 are exclusively in Mt, 2 Mk, and 20 Lk. 83 total comparisons, at least 30 of 70 involve Christ, while 13 of 13 proverbs do. Perhaps one can include Mt. 19.24, 23.25, 27, 37. Proverbs information: See Num. 12.8, Pr. 1.6, Dn. 8.23 and also Jn 10.6, 16.25, 29.