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Parables as Poetic Fictions

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Everybody loves a good story. A great storyteller can captivate

children, enchant adults, and change the minds and hearts of those who listen. Jesus was a master storyteller. His parables continue to intrigue, inspire, puzzle, challenge, and amuse all who encounter them. In Tell Me Your

Story: The Parables of Jesus, Arthur Zannoni offers insight into the stories that Jesus told, using the latest Scripture scholarship. Then he invites us to understand the stories as challenges for today's disciples

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and as a key to helping us unfold the mysteries of our own stories. Preachers, catechists, Bible study groups, continuing education classes, and individuals who wish to grow in their appreciation of the word of God will all appreciate and enjoy this book. The Problem of Jesus Abingdon Press
Leading students through the texts, highlighting the various literary devices and themes, and pointing out the historical and cultural contexts, An Introduction to the Gospels

and Acts is a fruitful collaboration between a mainline scholar (Puskas) and a more evangelical scholar (Crump), who clearly articulate their own opinions while charitably engaging a wide spectrum of scholarship. The coverage of the Gospels and Acts throughout is clear, comprehensive, and well documented. Maps, charts, outlines, and tables round out the wealth of information offered here. - Publisher. The Parables InterVarsity Press
Comprised of

contributions from scholars across the globe, The Oxford Handbook of Biblical Narrative is a state-of-the-art anthology, offering critical treatments of both the Bible's narratives and topics related to the Bible's narrative constructions. The Handbook covers the Bible's narrative literature, from Genesis to Revelation, providing concise overviews of literary-critical scholarship as well as innovative readings of individual narratives informed by a variety of methodological approaches and theoretical frameworks. The

volume as a whole combines literary sensitivities with the traditional historical and sociological questions of biblical criticism and puts biblical studies into intentional conversation with other disciplines in the humanities. It reframes biblical literature in a way that highlights its aesthetic characteristics, its ethical and religious appeal, its organic qualities as communal literature, its witness to various forms of social and political negotiation, and its uncanny power to affect readers and hearers across disparate time-frames and global

communities. NIVAC Bundle 6: Gospels, Acts Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Jesus knew the power of stories to touch people's hearts, so he used parables to teach his followers about the kingdom of God. If you want to know God better, the keys are in the parables. This book provides short studies on every parable in the Bible. You'll learn what God wants us to know from the prodigal son, the good Samaritan, the lost sheep, the talents, the sower, and many more. Each study

includes a summary of the parable, the Scripture reference where it can be found, information on the historical and cultural setting, and key points. At the end of each study are questions that open the door to discussion, reflection, or further investigation and help you get to the heart of the parable. A wonderful tool for small groups or to add variety to your personal devotions. Let these studies draw you nearer to God as they enhance your understanding of his Word. **Parables of**

the Kingdom

Liturgical Press
A fresh look at the meaning of Jesus' parables for Christian living today. The parables recorded in the Gospels are central for an understanding of Jesus and his ministry. Yet the parables are more than simple stories; they present a number of obstacles to contemporary readers hoping to fully grasp their meaning. In this volume, thirteen New Testament

scholars provide the background necessary to understand the original context and meaning of Jesus' parables as well as their modern applications, all in a manner easily accessible to general readers. Contributors: Stephen C. Barton Craig A. Evans Richard T. France Donald A. Hagner Morna D. Hooker Sylvia C. Keesmaat Michael P. Knowles Walter L. Liefeld Richard N. Longenecker Allan W. Martens Klyne

R. Snodgrass
Robert H. Stein
Stephen I. Wright
Parables
10-Minute Moments
William Barclay brings to these "best-known stories in the world" new force and significance for the modern reader. Each chapter analyzes an individual parable--identifies its theme, explains it in the light of the language and customs of the ancient

world, and clearly interprets its meaning for us today. The William Barclay Library is a collection of books addressing the great issues of the Christian faith. As one of the world's most widely read interpreters of the Bible and its meaning, William Barclay devoted his life to helping people become more faithful disciples of

Jesus Christ. An Introduction to the Gospels and Acts Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing The modern world portrays Jesus in many ways for many reasons. Some are well-intentioned but misguided, others are aberrations, still others have some but not all the essential keys. In order to see and understand the real Jesus and what the Gospels say about him, we have to see him in his first-century context—and

work out from there. Here is a portrait of Jesus that in some ways will affirm what traditional Christianity has always understood about him...and, in other ways, upend it altogether. Award-winning author Mark Clark delves into the person and work of Jesus of Nazareth: his parables and miracles, his controversial challenge of discipleship and obedience, his seemingly insane claim to be God, and what his death and

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Parables

Harper Collins
Contending

that Jesus narrative parables are more poetic than

metaphoric, Hedrick argues that parables should be heard solely on their own terms. Hedrick

s dissatisfaction with figurative and metaphorical approaches or those that argue for a

particular meaning or a single interpretation diverges sharply from the modern consensus and breaks new ground in parable studies.

Parables of Time and Eternity

Harper Collins
Jesus' parables can't simply be interpreted, they must be experienced.

In the gospels, Jesus used parables to teach transformative lessons and convey deep spiritual truths about the kingdom of God. But he

often used them to confront and challenge his audience as well, forcing them to open or close their hearts to the kingdom. Jesus understood the power of stories, but there are some things lost in translation when we try to interpret those same stories thousands of years removed from their original context. The unexpected twists and surprises in the parables might be missed by a modern audience because they're unfamiliar with the underlying

points of reference. In *Surprised by the Parables*, Michelle Lee Barnewall explores the ancient context of these parables drew from. These stories of grace reveal many of the mysteries central to God's character, and understanding the ancient world behind them will help us see the parables from a new perspective.

**Hear Then
the Parable**

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Purdy looks

at familiar aspects of daily work in an unfamiliar way, that is, in relation to the parables of Jesus. In each of twelve chapters, Purdy examines one of the parables to see what it has to say about God's kingdom--its present demands and future rewards. Then, he shows what the parable

means in the workplace. Finally, in a refreshing and practical way, he combines insights from the parable and insights from work experiences to draw forth a concrete message, a distinct pattern for being faithful to God.

**The Problem
of Jesus
Study Guide**
Zondervan
Craig

Blomberg surveys the contemporary critical approaches to the parables—including those that have emerged in the twenty years since the first edition. This widely used text has taken a minority perspective and made it mainstream, with Blomberg ably defending a limited allegorical approach and offering brief interpretations of all the major

parables. **The Content and the Setting of the Gospel Tradition** HarperOne When Jesus left the most exclusive gated community in the universe to come live with the people he loved and gave his life for, he turned everything we know and believe about life on its head. Jesus said that he came

to bring good news to the poor, but most Western Christians remain disconnected and isolated from the poor and their contexts of injustice. Even our churches echo society's pressure to isolate ourselves from the margins (e.g. by moving to a better suburb) and instead teach us how

to be "nice people" who worship a "nice Jesus" and don't disrupt the status quo. Convinced that Jesus places love for the poor and the pursuit of justice central, Craig Greenfield has sought to follow in Christ's footsteps by living among people at the edges of society for the last fourteen years. His

quest to follow this Subversive Jesus has taken Craig and his young family from the slums of Asia to inner city Canada and back again. This is the story of how Jesus led them to the margins: initiating the Pirates of Justice flash mobs, sharing their home with detoxing crackheads, welcoming

homeless panhandlers and prostitutes to the dinner table, and ultimately sparking a movement to reach the world's most vulnerable children. This book is a strong and potentially controversial critique of the status quo too often found in our churches, but it offers an inspirational and

hopeful vision of another way. While readers may not relocate to a slum, they will certainly come to view their lives and ministry through a fresh lens—reconsidering how they are uniquely called by Jesus to subversively love the poor and break down systems of injustice in their sphere of influence.

The Parables of Jesus
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This concise, well-edited book brings together insights from world-renowned scholars into the interpretation of parables.
Short Stories by Jesus
Zondervan Academic
The NIV Application Commentary helps you communicate and apply biblical text

effectively in today's context. To bring the ancient messages of the Bible into today's world, each passage is treated in three sections: Original Meaning. Concise exegesis to help readers understand the original meaning of the biblical text in its historical, literary, and cultural context.
Bridging

Contexts. A biblical bridge between the world of the Bible and the world of today, built by discerning what is timeless in the timely pages of the Bible. Contemporary Significance . This section identifies comparable situations to those faced in the Bible and explores relevant application of the biblical messages. The author alerts the readers of problems they may encounter when seeking to apply the passage and helps them think through the issues involved. This unique, award-winning commentary is the ideal resource for today's preachers, teachers, and serious students of the Bible, giving them the tools, ideas, and insights they need to communicate God's Word with the same powerful impact it had when it was first written. *In Parables* HarperChristian Resources A premier New Testament scholar explores how Jesus' trial and execution are portrayed in the New Testament and how that portrayal has affected

biblical studies, Christian theology, and Jewish-Christian relations through history. Tomson has written an accessible, responsible analysis of the biblical accounts of Jesus' death, demonstrating how, through compounded misunderstandings, they contributed to anti-Jewish sentiment in the early church and later history.

Tomson's question of how Jesus is to be understood in his first-century Judean context is a critical one not only for biblical scholars, but for anyone concerned about human rights and interreligious dialogue today.