

Parabolic Illustrations
Matthew 5:13-16; 6:19-24
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The Sermon on the Mount contains at least _____ parabolic illustrations. These illustrations are word _____ to help explain issues within the _____ and ethical arena of life. This three-chapter sermon is the ultimate code of _____ for the Kingdom of God.

A. Salt and Light

1. The _____ illustrated
 - a. The _____ to be exerted by the subjects of His kingdom
 - b. _____ is supreme in His kingdom.
2. There are two _____ that merge into one thought.
 - a. Salt of the earth
 - (1). It is not antiseptic (something against _____, and tends to cure it).
 - (2). It is aseptic (_____ of poison in itself).
 - (a). It never _____ corruption.
 - (b). It prevents the _____ of corruption.
 - (3). The figure is that of a moral _____ operating on the earth level.
 - (4). The _____ of an evil man cannot be cured by a man working beside him.
 - (5). It is God's work _____ that will cure evil.
 - (6). Believers have the responsibility to exert a _____ influence in the world, _____ to please people.
 - b. Light of the world
 - (1). Believers are to _____ Jesus.
 - (2). Light enables other things to be seen by its _____.
 - (3). _____ on a hill
 - (a). Gives light that can be seen at a _____
 - (b). Demands the _____ of a corporate relationship
 - (4). Lampstand in a _____

B. Moth, _____, and Thieves

1. The _____ of an earth-centered life
2. What should be our _____ toward things?
 - a. Clothing _____ or is moth-eaten.
 - b. Coinage either rusts or is _____.
 - c. Thieves only steal _____.
 - d. Believers are to be rich toward God, not _____ of their accumulation.

C. The _____

1. The necessity for singleness of _____ in life (our aim, purpose, and _____)
2. It is the means of interpreting and _____ the light.
3. The _____ eye (“*aplous*”)
 - a. Without a _____
 - b. Astigmatism – a _____ of the eye so that rays of light do not converge to a _____ in the _____.
 - c. With the single eye, things are seen _____, in the right perspective, and the whole body is _____.
4. The _____ eye (“*poneros*”)
 - a. Things are seen _____.
 - b. Evil in _____ upon the person himself and others
5. The teaching is the necessity for the _____ of life at a center from which everything else is viewed.