

**NIV MEMORY VERSE: Luke 8:39**

"Return home and tell how much God has done for you." So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him.

**LIFE OF CHRIST 10-1**

Lesson Scripture:

**Matthew 8:18-34,  
13:24-52**

**Mark 4:26-5:20**

**Luke 8:22-39, 13:18-21**

**"Kingdom Lessons"****DAY 1 READ THE LESSON SCRIPTURE**

1. Please share a special thought from the lecture last week.
  
2. a. In Matthew 13:34,35 why did Jesus speak to the crowds in parables?  
  
b. What do you learn in Mark 4:34?

**DAY 2 "Parable of the Wheat and Tares" REVIEW MATTHEW 13:24-30, 36-43**

3. a. The sower spread his seed. When did the enemy come and what did he do?  
  
b. Why did the owner decide to delay action?  
  
c. What would be done at the harvest?
  
4. In verses 36-43, how did Jesus explain the following:

a. He who sows good seed	e. the enemy
b. the field	f. the harvest
c. the good seed	g. the reapers
d. the weeds	
  
5. a. At the end of the age, what will the angels do?  
  
b. What will happen to the righteous?
  
6. Why do you think Jesus added the statement, "He who has ears, let him hear?"
  
  
7. Applying this parable to the church today:
  - a. In what way do you think the church is sleeping while the enemy is at work?
  
  - b. How should we respond to tares if we think we recognize them?
  
  - c. Why do you think Hell is/is not an appropriate sermon topic?

## **DAY 3 "More Kingdom Parables" REVIEW MATTHEW 13:31-35, 44-52**

**(Mark 4:26-34; Luke 13:18-21)**

8. a. What is unusual about the mustard seed?
- b. (IN-DEPTH) What do you think the "birds of the air" represent?
9. What does leaven/yeast do to dough?
10. In the parables of the hidden treasure and a valuable pearl, what does sacrifice have to do with the kingdom of heaven?
11. a. The kingdom of God is compared to what in Matthew 13:47-50?
- b. What theme is common to this parable and the parable of the tares?
12. Teachers of the Law (Old Testament instruction) who have been instructed about the kingdom of heaven (New Testament instruction) have what to offer?
13. In Mark 4:26, seed was scattered. Who is the one that spread the seed that started your development? Have you thanked and encouraged that person? If not, do so today!

**DAY 4 "Men of Little Faith" REVIEW MATTHEW 8:18-27 (Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-25)**

14. What did Jesus say the teacher of the Law (scribe) had failed to consider?

15. a. The disciple had an excuse "let me go and bury my father (wait until he dies)." How would you explain Jesus' reply in verse 22?

b. Share some procrastination excuses concerning Jesus you've used or heard.

16. Fill in appropriate words: The sea was \_\_\_\_\_ and Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. The disciples were \_\_\_\_\_. Jesus rebuked \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

17. Read Mark 4:35-41 and Luke 8:22-25. Locate three or more interesting details in Mark that are not included in Luke.

18. Relate a time when your faith in Jesus helped "still a storm" in your life.

**DAY 5 "Demons Cast Out" REVIEW MARK 5:1-20 (Matthew 8:28-34; Luke 8:26-39)**

19. After stilling the storm, where did Jesus go?
20. How do you know the man had more than one demon?
21. In Mark 5:7-13, what do you learn about demons?
22. What was the reaction of the following:
  - a. the herdsmen?
  - b. the people?
  - c. the demonic?
23. a. How did the healed man obey the Lord?  
b. As a citizen of Decapolis, how would this man's testimony have influenced you?
24. The account in Matthew 8:28-34 differs in one aspect. What is it?
25. Share a spiritual "pearl" that you've hidden in the field of your heart that is a treasure to you.

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**LECTURE NOTES:**

**PRAYER REQUESTS:**