JESUS TAUGHT ABOUT GOD'S KINGDOM

Objective:

I can define parables as stories based on comparisons with ordinary things.

PARABLES

- When Jesus taught about God and his kingdom, he often spoke in <u>parables</u>.
- Parables are <u>stories that give a message</u> by comparing something we don't know to something we do know.

READ "JESUS TOLD ABOUT THE PARABLES ABOUT THE KINGDOM OF GOD" ON PAGE 106

"OPEN TO GOD'S WORD"

- It means that God wants us to listen.
- God's word has meaning for us if we are open to it.
- People who don't want to listen are closed to the message. God' Word does not mean anything to them.

GOD'S KINGDOM

- Has God's kingdom finished? --- the answer is NO.
- The Kingdom of God <u>must</u> keep growing until the end of time.
- All people are called, but not all are open to God's call.

CHURCH

- The Church **helps** bring about God's kingdom.
- The Church -- means the family of those who believe in Jesus and are baptized.

HOW CAN WE HELP THE CHURCH?

- We tell others about Jesus.
- We bring Jesus' love to others.
- We help the missions.
- We pray and sacrifice.

GOD'S KINGDOM

- Jesus is teaching us that the Kingdom of God is a most precious gift.
- Those who find treasure of God's kingdom in their own hearts are happy too.
- They are willing to give up anything in order to have God's life and love.

REFLECTION

- Jesus expects us to give up things in this world for the sake of his kingdom.
- We <u>must</u> make sacrifices in order to help the Kingdom of God to grow.
- From the parables, we learn that having God's grace and living in God's heavenly kingdom are worth more than anything else..

ASSESSMENT

Answer the questions in GoFormative Class Code: **NBJQYG**