

*Parables in the Gospels*

Parable	Matthew	Mark	Luke
New patch on an old cloak	9:16	2:21	5:36
New wine in old wineskins	9:17	2:22	5:37–38
The sower	13:3–8	4:3–8	8:5–8
Lamp under a bowl	5:14–16	4:21–22	8:16; 11:33
Seed growing secretly		4:26–29	
Mustard seed	13:31–32	4:30–32	13:18–19
Wicked tenants	21:33–44	12:1–11	20:9–18
Fig tree	24:32–33	13:28–29	21:29–31
Watchful slaves		13:33–37	12:35–38
Wise and foolish builders	7:24–27		6:47–49
Yeast leavens flour	13:33		13:20–21
Lost sheep	18:12–14		15:4–7
Thief in the night	24:42–44		12:39–40
Faithful and wise slave	24:45–51		12:42–48
The talents (or the pounds)	25:14–30		19:12–27
Weeds among the wheat	13:24–30		
Treasure hidden in a field	13:44		
Pearl of great value	13:45–46		
Net full of good and bad fish	13:47–50		
Treasure new and old	13:52		
Unmerciful servant	18:23–34		
Workers in the vineyard	20:1–16		
Two sons	21:28–32		
Wedding banquet	22:2–14		
Ten bridesmaids	25:1–13		
The two debtors			7:41–43
The good Samaritan			10:30–37
Friend at midnight			11:5–8
Rich fool			12:16–21
Severe and light beatings			12:47–48
Barren tree			13:6–9
Lowest seat at a banquet			14:7–14
Excuses for not attending a banquet			14:16–24
Building a tower			14:28–30
Waging war			14:31–32
Lost coin			15:8–10
Prodigal son			15:11–32
Shrewd manager			16:1–9
Rich man and Lazarus			16:19–31
Slave serves the master			17:7–10
Widow and judge			18:2–5
Pharisee and tax collector			18:10–14

**Summary**

- 9 parables from Mark (all but one of which are also in Matthew and/or Luke)
- 6 parables from material that is often ascribed to Q (found in Matthew and Luke but not in Mark)
- 10 parables unique to Matthew
- 17 parables unique to Luke
- 42 parables in all