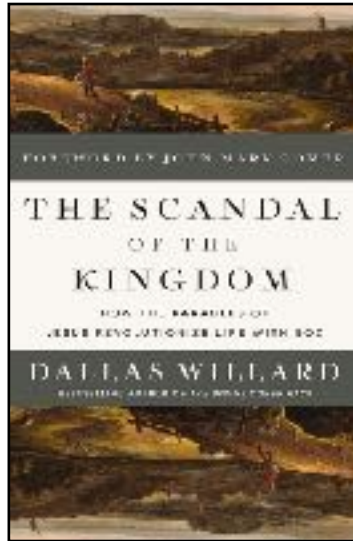


The Scandal of the Kingdom Course Study Guide



“Give ‘em heaven!” — These three simple words spoken by Dallas Willard to his granddaughter shortly before his passing embody his heart and the heart of his new book, *The Scandal of the Kingdom*, (2024, Zondervan) presenting Jesus’ parables that were often considered scandalous. (Introduction, p. 1-2)

Join a global community of apprentices of Jesus on an in-depth discovery of life with God through His powerful and profound parables. “*Teaching in parables helped [Jesus] give people a vision of how life in the Kingdom of God fit into their everyday, ordinary life.*” (p. 32)

[Jesus College](#) — “*Learning from history’s greatest teacher how to do what He taught!*”



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Your "V-I-M" Participation

We encourage you to make your experience more than just a free webinar added to your Christian study routine. When you make this course an intentional discipline for spiritual growth—ideally with a partner to better learn, apply, and grow in Christlikeness—you will find the sessions will be a launch pad to rocket your growth into the Kingdom of the Heavens.

Here are a few suggestions to maximize this course.

- 1) READ the recommended chapter before each session - 1 chapter per session by order, i.e., Session 1 - book chapter 1. Session two - book chapter 2, etc.) Use the 1 page summary of each session in this study guide to take notes and study related scriptures.
- 2) INQUIRE - Bring questions to digest the content and inspire other students. Linger longer for the "Q&C" after each 30-minute session.
- 3) COMPLEMENT - Study related Dallas Willard resources:

[The Parabolic Teaching About Christ's Kingdom by Christ Himself](#)

Weekly series by Dallas in 1983 at a local church (see page 4)

[The Scandal of the Kingdom Workbook](#) by Jan Johnson

- 4) RETREAT - As part of your practice, invest one hour weekly solo with Jesus discussing with Him your key discovery from the session.
- 5) REFLECT - At the end of the course, type or write a 300 word summary or journal entry recognizing the impact of the study and the vision of how it can, by God's grace, form your spiritual growth in Christlikeness.

** V-I-M = *Vision-Intention-Means* — Dallas calls V-I-M the reliable pattern for spiritual change, or any change. As you envision a life of hearing God and truly intend to want to hear God, you will seek and find the means to practice a life of hearing God. For more on V-I-M, see *Renovation of the Heart*, chapter 5 ([Webinar on the book.](#)) Another rich resource on V-I-M is in the [Life With God Bible](#) Introduction, xxv-xxxvi

*** V-I-M - Dallas teaches on V-I-M in "Healing the Heart" [Video 6B](#) at 04:16

Teaching by Dallas Willard (audio)
Harbor Church, Harbor City, California, 1983*

["The Parabolic Teaching About Christ's Kingdom by Christ Himself "](#) (link)
[Summary of each topic and the related scriptures.](#) (PDF)

- 1: The Gospel of the Kingdom of God and How It Comes: Why Parables?
Teaching methods of Jesus and why he used parables
Important things about the faith and message of Jesus [40:35]
 - 2: The Diverse Receptions of the Word of the Kingdom [49:56]
The Parable of the Sower
 - 3: The Secret Manner of the Kingdom's Working: The Leaven and the Seed
The Parables of the Seed and of the Mustard Seed [45:15]
 - 4: The Great Supper. Kingdom Birthright for a Mess of Pottage [41:35]
The Parable of the Great Supper; Jacob Steals Esau's Birthright
 - 5: Growing Together Until the Harvest - Wheat & Tares; Dagnet [42:07]
- NOTE: There is no recording of "Growth & Responsibility"*
- The Parables of the Minas Luke 19:12-27 & Unjust Steward Lk 16:1-12
Go to ["The Divine Conspiracy" lecture 12](#) (video) [59:30-1:02:15]
- 6: The Vineyard and the Wicked Husbandmen [42:14]
The Parable of the Vineyard
 - 7: Two Sons (Matt. 21:28-32), Two Debtors (Luke 7:36-50) [41:42]
Two more sons - The Prodigal Son & Elder Brother (Luke 15:11-32)
 - 8: The Ten Virgins and the Evil Watchman. Revelation of the Heart [42:41]
 - 9: The Forgiving Heart & the Kingdom of God - Unforgiving Servant [46:35]
- NOTE: There is no recording of "The Outrageous Compassion of God"*
- 10: The Folly of Possessions and Riches - The Rich Fool [45:30]
 - 11: Persistence: Unprofitable Servant, Persistent Widow [47:00]
The Pharisee & Tax Collector
 - 12: The Good "Half-Breed" and Full-Blooded Stinkers [41:12]
Neighborliness of the Kingdom - The Good Samaritan

* — Dallas taught a 13-week series at Harbor Church in Harbor City, California, March 6 - May 29, 1983. These recordings offer new insights into these well-known stories, and into the way Jesus taught and lived. They provided the foundation for his book on the parables.

The Scandal of the Kingdom — (27) Parables Covered

Parable	Scripture	Book Chapter	Book pages
The Sower	Matt. 13:1-23	3	38-51
The Farmer Sowing	Mark 4:26-29	4	57, 66, 68
Mustard Seed*	Mark 4:30-32	4	54, (101)
Yeast	Luke 13:20-21	4	54-55
Wedding Reception	Luke 14:8-15	5	71-76
The Great Supper	Luke 14:16-24	5	76-79
Treasure in the Field	Matt. 13:44	5	82
Pearl of Great Price	Matt. 13:45-46	5	82-83
Wheat and Tares	Matt. 13:204-30, 36-43	6	87-91
The Dragnet	Matt. 13:407-50	6	91-92, 95, 101
The Minas	Luke 19:12-27	7	108-114
Talents	Matt. 25:14-30)	7	111-112
The Unjust Stewart	Luke 16:1-12	7	114-117
The Wicked tenants	Luke 20:9-19	8	125, 127-134
Two Debtors	Luke 7:40-43	9	147-149
Two Working Sons	Matt. 21:28-31	9	149-150
The Prodigal Son	Luke 15:11-32	9	151-158
Two Servants	Luke 12:35-48	10	164-167
Ten Virgins	Matt. 25:1-13	10	169-174
Unforgiving Servant	Matt. 18:23-35	11	178-181
Day Workers	Matt. 20:1-16	12	194-203
Rich Fool	Luke 12:16-20	13	207-208
*Mustard Seed	Luke 17:6	14	222-227, 231
Profitable Servant	Luke 17:7-10	14	223-225
Widow and Judge	Luke 18:1-5	14	227-228
Shameless neighbor	Luke 11:5-8	14	229-230
Pharisee & Publican	Luke 18:7-14	14	232-235
Certain Samaritan	Luke 10:30-37	15	246-253

Session 1 —“The Faith of Christ” — Chapter 1 (pages 5-18)

“I have been crucified with Christ, and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.” Galatians 2:19-20

The Faith of Christ “Calm in the Storm” - Mark 4:35-41

Imparting new life — The Gospel: _____ of the Kingdom of God
Matthew 3:2, 4:17 - “The Kingdom of God now with Emmanuel!

“When we walk in the power of the kingdom of God—as it was present in Christ Jesus himself—we have a greater resource, a greater contact with power, than what was available to even John the Baptist, because we are increasingly integrated into the eternal kind of life God intended us to have.” (p. 12)

An Open Invitation to Everyone “Good news! Everyone can come!”

Roman centurion, a bleeding woman, a prodigal son = Kingdom availability
God’s effective range of His Kingdom power of LIFE eternal — John 17:3

The Allure of Gentleness *The Parables — Jesus moving us to the Kingdom*

Meditation — Matthew 3:2, 4:17, 6:33 - Kingdom Availability

Application

VISION - What does eternal life in God’s Kingdom look like today?

INTENTION - F.I.T.O. — Do I want to move my “Faith In to Of” Christ?

MEANS - Take a prayer walk with Jesus to envision God’s Kingdom at hand.

Two Dallas Teachings (audio + video) **to complement this session**

1.) [“The Parabolic Teaching About Christ’s Kingdom by Christ Himself ”](#)

1: “Gospel of the Kingdom of God & How It Comes” [0:00-31:00]

2.) [“The Divine Conspiracy” #3](#) “Gospel of the Kingdom” [1:00:33-08:47]

Next: Session 2 — “How Jesus Taught” Read Ch. 2 (19-35), Mt. 13:11-15

Session 2 — “How Jesus Taught” Chapter 2 (pages 19-35)

“He taught them as one who had authority.” Matthew 7:29

The Genius Teacher

“Jesus was the _____ man and the most _____ and _____ teacher who ever lived.” (19)

Teaching to Inform vs. Teaching to Transform

“The Kingdom of Heaven is like...” Stories of ordinary life in the Kingdom

The Great Inversion - Realigned with the Kingdom of God

General _____ or _____ of a Kingdom principle?

Scandalous stories - FL/LF = “First will be last, last will be first”

“Ears to Hear” - Tiny buckets or soft hearts? Time to think!

“Planting _____ in minds and souls of the listeners to bring them into another _____...a different kind of _____ .” (34)

Meditation — Matthew 13:11-15

Application

VISION - What does “the great inversion” of life in the Kingdom look like?

INTENTION - Do I want to hear God and see & seek His Kingdom?

MEANS - Read Matthew 13 this week reflecting how Jesus taught...and why.

Two Dallas Teachings (audio + video) **to complement this session**

1.) ["The Parabolic Teaching About Christ's Kingdom by Christ Himself "](#)

1: Gospel of the Kingdom (2nd part): Why Parables? [31:15-40:35]

2.) ["The Divine Conspiracy Lecture" #6](#) Jesus' Teaching [55:55-1:05:25]

Next: Session 3 — “Why Parables?” Read Ch. 3 (36-52), Matt. 13:1-23

Session 3 — “Why Parables?” Chapter 3 (36-52)

“The Sower” — Matthew 13:1-23

“Jesus teaching, preaching the gospel of the Kingdom, and healing.” Mt. 4:23

The First Parable — The Sower = Seeds Falling Everywhere

“The Parable of the Sower is one of the most important parables Jesus gave about the _____ of _____.” (40)

The Power of the Word, the Will and the Mind

The Soils of the Soul

1. Wayside Ground a.) More Important Things b.) Slogans & Ideas
c.) Distortion of the Word d.) Loneliness
2. Stony Ground — Character: habitual behavior in 6 dimensions of self
3. Thorny Ground — Worries & Wealth “God or Mammon?” Mt. 6:24
4. Fertile Soil — Know the blessing of the presence of the Kingdom

Take Heed, Hear God

“The Word of the Kingdom” (49, 50) “We have to want it and seek it.” (51)

The “with me” life or the “with God” life?

Meditation — Matthew 13:1-23

Application

VISION - Where do I see the different soils in my life in the past and now?

INTENTION - “Take Heed.” What stifles the fruit of God’s Word in me?

MEANS - Take a walk with Jesus this week to tend the soil of the heart.

Dallas Teaching (audio) **to complement this session**

["The Parabolic Teaching About Christ’s Kingdom by Christ Himself "](#)

2: Diverse Receptions of the Word of the Kingdom - the Sower [49:56]

Next: Session 4 — “The Kingdom Secret” Chapter 4 (53-69)

Session 4 — “The Secret Inner Working of the Kingdom” Ch. 4 (53-69)
“The Farmer Sowing” Mk 4:26-29 “Mustard Seed” 30-32 “Yeast” Lk 13:20-21

“To what shall I liken the Kingdom of God?” Mark 4:26, 30 Luke 13:20

The Farmer Sowing the Seed Mark 4:26-29

“The Kingdom of God is as if...” A.B.I Principle _____

The Power of a Seed to Organize Reality Mark 4:30-32 * Watermelon

The Seed of the Word Hebrews 4:12

_____ to the Soul - “Able to hear” Mark 4:33 Bucket size? (28)

The _____ of the Word Ps. 107, 147 “*Sent His Logos & Healed*”

The Word as a _____ - Two Landscapes: Visible & Invisible

Organizing Reality “LIFE from above” - The Word rearranges your life.

The Kingdom Brings Power (63-65) A vital section of this book!

The Gospel of the Kingdom of God is *NOT* the Bible, or the church, or only the death, burial & resurrection of Jesus, or what we produce.

...*IS* forgiveness of sins, character transformation, and power over evil.

Grace • Confidence • Abandonment

Meditation — Hebrews 4:12

Application

VISION - Where have I seen God’s Kingdom yield power?

INTENTION - Where do I do the work of the flesh vs. the Spirit?

MEANS - Prayerfully read and reflect and rest in Hebrews 4:12

Two Dallas Teachings (audio + video) **to complement this session**

- 1.) ["The Parabolic Teaching About Christ’s Kingdom by Christ Himself "](#)
3: The Secret Manner of the Kingdom’s Working: Leaven & Seed [45:15]
- 2.) ["The Divine Conspiracy" #3](#) “Ministry in the Kingdom” [00:33-7:20]

Next: Session 5 — “The Greatest Opportunity” Chapter 5 (70-86)

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“Wedding Feast, Banquet” Lk. 14:8-24 “Treasure & Pearl” Mt. 13:44-46

“He sold all that he had and bought it.” Matthew 13:44-46

Parties and More Parties - Who is Invited, Important, & Preoccupied

FL/LF — Great Inversion in the Kingdom: *First...Last and Last...First*

“Because you live in the Kingdom of God, you will be _____.” (73)

Making Excuses for Missing God’s Party - The Banquet Luke 14:16-24

Property, Possessions, Relationships - Something else is more important

“The basic question: Do we _____ God and the Kingdom of God?” (78)

Esau - Stewing over stew meant squandering his status - Genesis 25

The Call to Apprenticeship of the Master Jesus Luke 14:25-33

Presenting Christ - Ravish people with the reality of the Kingdom. (83)

Following Jesus - learning from Him how to lead my life if He were me.
The greatest opportunity life offers! (84) *The feast awaits us!*

Meditation — Luke 14:15-24

Application

VISION - How do I see a Christian compared to a disciple of Jesus?

INTENTION - Am I selling all I have - sold out - to the Kingdom of God?

MEANS - What party will I host to ravish guests not my status or pleasure?

Two Dallas Teachings (audio + video) **to complement this session**

1.) ["The Parabolic Teaching About Christ’s Kingdom by Christ Himself"](#)

4: The Great Supper: Kingdom Birthright for a Mess of Pottage [41:35]

2.) “Pecking Order” (71-72) ["Human Side of Holiness" #2](#) [11:10-15:26]

Next: Session 6 — “Growing Together in the Kingdom” Ch. 6 (87-105)

Session 6 — “Growing Together in the Kingdom” Chapter 6 (87-105)
“Wheat & Tares” Mt. 13:24-30, 36-43 “Dragnet” Mt. 13:47-50

“The Kingdom is like a man who sowed good seed...” Matthew 13:24

Seeds for the World — Spiritual Transformation - Matthew 13:24-30

The implanted Word germinates new life born of the Spirit and it organizes a life of putting off the old person and putting on the new by all human power through Christ. The renewed person is the good seed planted in the world arranged in Kingdom ways surrounded by tares who are given opportunity to become wheat through the implanted power of the Word. (89-90)

Weeds Among the Wheat — Providential Prepositional Power: IN & OF

Disciples — IN and Of the Kingdom = IN the World not OF the World
Worldly — IN and OF the World = IN the Kingdom not OF the Kingdom

The Loving Invitation — *All & Many Fish* Mt. 13:47-50 & *Birds* Lk. 13:19

OF the Kingdom or OF the world is a matter of character!

OF the Kingdom not OF the World = An Oasis in the Desert

The “origin” and “nature” born of the Word - John 3

“Simply stand and walk as disciples of Christ” (94)

Forming Kingdom O_____ as B_____ (99, 100, 102)

IN not OF the Kingdom — “Neither part nor portion” character: Judas
Four Reasons Why (96)

Meditation — Matthew 13:24-50

Application

VISION - What will I look like as a disciple extending Kingdom beachheads?

INTENTION - Where am I OF the world not the Kingdom? Why?

MEANS - What tare or fish will I ravish with the Kingdom this week?

Dallas Teaching (audio) **to complement this session**

["The Parabolic Teaching About Christ's Kingdom by Christ Himself "](#)

5: Growing Together Until the Harvest - Wheat & Tares, Dragnet [42:07]

Next: Session 7 — “Growth & Responsibility” Chapter 7 (106-121)

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“Minas” Lk. 19:12-27 “Talents” Mt. 25:14-30 “Unjust Steward” Lk 16:1-12

“Well done good and faithful servant.” Luke 19:17

Intended to Rule in Faithfulness Genesis 1:26, 28; Rev. 22:4-5

You and I are unceasing spiritual beings with an eternal destiny in God's great universe. (108) *“Training for Reigning”*
- Harmonize our kingdoms under the great commandments. (107)
- Learn about the invisible landscape of His Kingdom. (108)

Stewards of Kingdom Resources — *Mastering the Minas* Luke 19:12-27

Our good responsibility with joy — *Decapolis Destiny* Matt. 25:21
One Talent Man: Hiding from God; Misjudging the Kingdom Mt. 25:24-25
Believe you are worth God's I _____ in you! (114)

The Unjust Steward — Luke 16:1-12

Let's make a deal - Being shrewd with all things under the rule of God.
What God is going to get out of my life, whatever I may do otherwise,
is the person I b _____. (116)

Investing My Kingdom (118-120)

- 1.) You are in charge of certain aspects of your life. *“These are my minas.”*
- 2.) Be intentional and definite about what you want to see happen.
- 3.) Make sure you desired outcomes are of God. *“Incommensurability”*

Meditation — Luke 19:12-27

Application

VISION - Can I see myself mastering the minas as the Lord's mayor?
INTENTION - How definite and incommensurate are my requests of God?
MEANS - What calling/vision is on my heart that I will share this week?

Dallas Teaching (video) **to complement this session**

[“The Divine Conspiracy” #12](#) Unjust Steward & Talents [59:30-1:02:15]

Next: Session 8 — “Revolutionizing Leadership” Chapter 8 (122-142)

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“Wicked Tenants” Luke 20:9-19

“By their fruits you will know them.” Matthew 7:20

False Prophets as Ravenous Wolves Matthew 7:15-23

Not just c _____ Jesus Lord, but h _____ Jesus as Lord. (124)
“Do we allow the Lord to know us?” An interactive life with God.

The Wicked Tenants in the Vineyard Luke 20:9-19

Certification vs. Authority from Ability - “By what authority...?”
Human authority - “the hoops” vs. Divine authority - “the heart”

Rejection of, and Crushed by, the Cornerstone Luke 20:17, Ps. 118:22
Jesus’ crossed their paths, but their paths never merged. (130)
A Battle of great proportions...then and now.

- 1.) A Question of Revenue from Taxes Luke 20:20-26
- 2.) A Question of Resurrection Luke 20:27-38

Hard Hearts Hear Hard Things Luke 20:45-47; Matt. 23:24-33
“You do not have the love of God [His Kingdom] in you.” John 5:41

Leaders Living Worthy Lives “Working under God with God” (139)
The interior life - character - of a _____ & t _____
Assuming r _____ for our own c _____

Meditation — I Timothy 4:7-8, 15-16

Application

VISION - If God took a spiritual x-ray of my heart, what would it reveal?
INTENTION - How authentic and truthful are my intentions to lead others?
MEANS - Which spiritual discipline (140-141) will I practice this week?

Dallas Teaching (audio) **to complement this session**

["The Parabolic Teaching About Christ's Kingdom by Christ Himself"](#)

6: The Vineyard and the Wicked Husbandmen [42:14]

Next: Session 9 — “Lost & Found” Chapter 9 (143-160)

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“2 Debtors” Lk 7:36-50 “2 Sons” Mt 21:28-31 “Prodigal Son” Lk 15:11-32

3 stories, 3 ways of being lost, 3 dimensions of God’s generous heart

Sincerely Lost “A Sinful Woman” Luke 7:36-50

- Never lost • Say it but don’t do it • The failed who know it

Parable: Creditor & 2 Debtors - *One forgiven of more loves more*

Turning to Acceptance Two Sons, Reversed Outcomes Matt. 21:28-32

They said, “No!” but repented and found God’s heart completely open

The Prodigal Son & His Brother Luke 15:11-32

A giving parent, not condemning. *“I’ll help you!”* (152)

A story devoid of forgiveness and full of mercy.

Only when we step into the path of _____ we begin to live in the _____ of God.

A Mercy Stream F _____, G _____ & R _____ (158-59)

Meditation — Luke 15:11-32 *in view of* Romans 8:33-35

Application

VISION - What does the power of mercy look like in relationships?

INTENTION - What level of lost am I or have I been?

MEANS - With whom do I need to move from older brother to loving father?

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7: Two Sons, Two Debtors, Two More Sons [41:42]

Next: Session 10 — “Prepare the Way” Chapter 10 (161-176)

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“Faithful & Unfaithful Servants” Luke 12:35-48 “Ten Virgins” Mt 25:1-13

“Therefore keep watch.” Matthew 25:13

The Kingdom Removed from Israel Matthew 23:37-24:2

Worshipping in spirit and truth not a temple or Jesus in person.

The Treasure in the Heart Luke 12:31-34; 35-48; Matthew 24:45-51

May the Master find us dressed for action with lamps lit. Luke 12:35, 43

These parables were meant to reveal our _____ and show how our actions demonstrate the degree to which Jesus is our _____. (167)

Be Ready to Attend the Wedding Matthew 25:1-13

“Servants”, “Virgins” & “Talents” address “while the Lord is away.” (169)

Ready to seize the _____ by living _____ and _____ a different world. (173-74)

Teach the Kingdom of God and how to live in it now. (176)

N _____ who God n _____.

We are the light of the world as an o _____ of heaven.

Meditation — Matthew 25:1-13

Application

VISION - What does “ready for Jesus” look like for me today?

INTENTION - Am I ready as a faithful steward for the return of Jesus?

MEANS - How will I practice “watching” this week? Matthew 25:13

Dallas Teaching (audio) **to complement this session**

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8: Ten Virgins and the Evil Watchman. Revelation of the Heart [42:41]

Next: Session 11 — “The Miracle of Forgiveness” Chapter 11 (177-190)

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“The Unforgiving Servant” Matthew 18:21-35

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9: Forgiving Heart & the Kingdom of God: Unforgiving Servant [46:35]

Next: Session 12 “The Outrageous Compassion of God” Ch. 12 (191-203)

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“The Workers in the Vineyard” Matthew 20:1-16

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Dallas Teaching to complement this session *We have not found one yet*

Next: Session 13 — “What is Your Life?” Chapter 13 (204-218)

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“The Rich Fool” Luke 12:16-21

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10: The Folly of Possessions and Riches - The Rich Fool [45:30]

Next: Session 14 — “Persistence for Growth” Chapter 14 (219-238)

Session 14 — “Persistence: Prerequisite to Growth” Chapter 14 (219-238)
“Mustard Seed”, “Profitable Servant” Luke 17:3-10
“Bold Neighbor” Lk 11:5-8; “Widow/Judge” & “Pharisee/Publican” Lk 18:1-17

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Two Dallas Teachings (audio+ video) **to complement this session**

- 1.) ["The Parabolic Teaching About Christ's Kingdom by Christ Himself "](#)
11: Persistence: Unprofitable Servant, Persistent Widow [47:00]
- 2.) ["The Divine Conspiracy Lecture" #12](#) Lk 18, Lk 11 [1:04:55-1:09:30]

Next: Session 15 — “Moved by Compassion” Chapter 15 (239-257)

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“A Certain ‘Good’ Samaritan” Luke 10:30-37

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12: The Good "Half-Breed" and Full-Blooded Stinkers [41:12]

(21) Courses & More Resources from Jesus College

[The Divine Conspiracy](#) - (2) courses

The Divine Conspiracy - In-depth, extended study of the book (31 sessions)

"The Divine Conspiracy - An Overview" highlighting key principles (6 sessions)

[Renovation of the Heart](#) - (2) courses on the book & a Dallas teaching series

Renovation of the Heart - Whole Life Spiritual Transformation (13 sessions)

"Healing the Heart and Life by Walking with Jesus Daily" (12 sessions)

[Courses on Dallas' Books](#) - (6) courses

The Spirit of the Disciplines - Understanding How God Changes Lives (11 sessions)

Hearing God - Developing a Conversational Relationship with God (10 sessions)

The Allure of Gentleness - Apologetics in the Manner of Jesus (7 sessions)

Knowing Christ Today - Knowledge of Jesus for Daily Life (8 sessions)

Life Without Lack - Living the 23rd Psalm (9 sessions)

Becoming Dallas Willard - biography (9 sessions)

[Courses on Dallas Speaking](#) - (11) courses from (12) teaching series by Dallas

"The Human Side of Holiness" - 5 days at Denver Seminary (17 sessions)

"For Such a Time as This" - 3 teachings on Ministry Leadership (6 sessions)

"Jesus Worldview" - 2 Dallas teachings (3 sessions)

"The Genius of Jesus" - 2 teachings at Ohio State University (4 sessions)

"Nietzsche vs. Jesus" - 2 sessions based on Dallas' Veritas Forum, Stanford, 2002

"The Problem of Evil" - 3 sessions focused on 3 chapters from Dallas' books

"Spiritual Formation & Salvation" - 1 teaching at Wheaton College (3 sessions)

"Jesus, Dallas & NT - The Gospel" - 3 sessions including NT Wright's teachings

"Jesus, Dallas & NT: The Book of Acts" - 4 sessions including NT Wright's teachings

"Jesus, Dallas & NT - Romans 8" - 3 sessions based on teaching by Dallas & NT Wright

"Advent with Dallas Willard" - 3 sessions on a sermon and devotionals by Dallas

[Speaking Sessions](#) - 51 Dallas Willard resources featuring 117 teaching sessions with 785+ pages of notes (general Dallas speaking *not* Jesus College courses).

“Master’s in the Master” Spiritual Transformation Training

The Jesus College “Master's in the Master” is a clear, realistic, practical method to foster “Christlikeness” in ordinary people who take transformation seriously. *This is not an accredited degree.* The Master’s offers you a Jesus centered, wisdom guided, community* engaged, mentor** supported, daily life integrated, spiritual growth plan.

CURRICULUM — The Master’s is built on (15) courses varying in length from 3 to 31 sessions per course based on the books and teachings of Dallas Willard. Choose from a syllabus of (21) courses {on the previous page} ready-to-watch today in the JesusCollege.com library. Some courses will be offered again “live” throughout the year.

CALENDAR & TIME - The Master’s is an individually paced time frame based on when you start and how often you participate in “live” courses or watch recordings of the sessions. We use the word “cohort” but there is not a set group - “no freshman class” - nor pre-set time to commence or complete your Master’s. This is an independent study and growth training effort. We estimate for serious participation 3+ hours per week over a timespan equal to the 3+ years Jesus walked with His disciples. *3+ hours weekly for 3+ years.* Again, this is your preferred pace NOT according to a Jesus College calendar or semester syllabus.

COMMUNITY* — We are seeking the platforms to facilitate connection with other students to engage and enjoy rich diversity of Jesus’ friends from 48 countries involved in Jesus College.

COST — The “Master’s” training is offered for FREE by Jesus College. Additional personal coaching, church consulting and training, teaching or preaching at your location or virtual venue are available from Jesus College at pre-determined costs between the two parties. Financial donations are also welcomed for those who want to help further the impact of Jesus College.

COMMENTS from Jesus College Students:

- Tony from England, "In brief, these courses have changed my view on discipleship. I feel myself a new creation."
- Pastor Oladipo from Lagos, Nigeria, "I've participated in all the courses except one. It has impacted my ministry strongly because we are fine tuning our church to become a church who really does what Jesus said. The whole experience has been personally transforming for me personally and in my ministry. In time we can become the example of the kind of church Dallas has said he has never seen."
- Judy from Virginia, "I’m definitely interested and I’ve loved everything you have offered. Everything! The idea of experiencing this with other people face-to-face is very appealing to me."
- Don from Canada, "This Jesus College vision is on the leading edge for the future of the Christian community."

For information on the courses, a plan worksheet for your custom Master’s V-I-M, or a personal consult with Doug Webster to discuss your desired spiritual training and growth, email us — info@JesusCollege.com

Jesus College Postscript

Thank you and God bless you for venturing further up, further in the Kingdom Among Us. We trust you received a fresh hearing of Jesus through the mind and soul of a humble follower of Jesus in Dallas Willard alongside a cadre of the crucifixion of friends from around the world. May your quietly transforming, conversational friendship with God immersed in the Trinitarian community be pervaded with joy, relaxed with shalom, and filled with agape, as you become the kind of apprentice of Jesus who willfully seeks the good of God, others and yourself.

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