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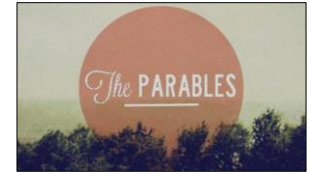
SUGGESTED QUESTIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL STUDY OR GROUP DISCUSSION*



- Which do you think is the hardest to lose: your sight, hearing, or speech? Why?
- *Read Matthew 13:10-17.* What is a parable? How would you define one?
- What does Jesus say the disciples have received that others have not? What are the implications for those who have not received what the disciples have been given?
- What reason does Jesus give for speaking in parables?
- Does Jesus speak in parables because the crowds are not seeing and understanding? Or do Jesus' parables cause the failure to see and understand? Or something else?
- What is the original context of the prophecy of Isaiah which Jesus quotes (see Isaiah 6:1-13)? How does understanding this give insight into what Jesus is saying?
- What have the disciples seen and heard that the prophets only longed for? How may Jesus' disciples today be similarly blessed?
- What does a parable cause listeners to do after they have heard it?
- How would you evaluate your seeing, hearing, and understanding? How does this relate to the condition of your heart and impact how you are healed?
- What is one thing you will do this week to see, hear, and understand God's message through Christ? How can your small group or others pray for you and support you in this through the coming week?



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