

Quiz on the Parables as the Spiritual Teaching of ChristI. Indicate whether the following are true or false.

- _____ 1. The parables are analogies drawn from nature to explain the supernatural life.
 _____ 2. Christ is our Teacher both in what He taught and in how He taught.
 _____ 3. Christ taught by word and example.
 _____ 4. Christ never identified Himself as Teacher.
 _____ 5. All the parables of Christ somehow are related to the Kingdom of God.
 _____ 6. The Parable of the Sower occurs only in the Gospel of St. Matthew..
 _____ 7. Christ Himself explains the parable of the Sower.
 _____ 8. The Parable of the Good Samaritan occurs only in the Gospel of St. Wks.
 _____ 9. The Parable of the Prodigal Son occurs in all three Synoptic Gospels.
 _____ 10. The Hebrew mentality favored mythology.
 _____ 11. Each parable has one basic truth that Christ wanted to teach us.
 _____ 12. We cannot comprehend the mysteries of faith.
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 _____ 14. The parables are meant only for believers.
 _____ 15. There is true development of revelation from the Old to the New Testament.
 _____ 16. There is no doctrinal development since the end of the apostolic age.
 _____ 17. Every detail of a parable is essential to the teaching intended by Christ.
 _____ 18. There can be no virtue of charity, with the virtue of faith.
 _____ 19. We are obliged to grow in our understanding of the mysteries of our faith.
 _____ 20. Without prayer, there can be no true growth in the spiritual life.

II. Underline the term that best completes each statement,

21. Meditation can be described as 1) mental prayer, 2) discursive mental prayer, 3) reflection on religious truth in the Presence of God.
22. God loves all human beings 1) equally, 2) in exactly the same degree, 3) with infinite generosity but not equally.
23. In heaven, we shall 1) all be equally happy, 2) all be happy, 3) all be happy but not in the same degree.
24. Sacrifice means 1) surrender of something precious for God, 2) surrender, 3) surrender of something we like.
25. Holiness means the 1) possession of sanctifying grace, 2) practice of virtue, 3) living a holy life.
26. God expects 1) everyone to be holy, 2) some people to be more holy than others, 3) everyone to be holy according to the graces that He gives.

III. Match the terms in the following columns.

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| _____ 27. Divine mercy | 27. Observing the commandments |
| _____ 28. Lord's Prayer | 28. Petition for conditional mercy |
| _____ 29. Spirituality | 29. Depends on our practice of mercy |
| _____ 30. Morality | 30. Parables of mercy |
| _____ 31. St. Luke | 31. Seeing the meaning of a truth |
| _____ 32. Understanding | 32. Life |
| _____ 33. Grace | 33. Doing more than I must do |