# Parables, Sayings of the Kingdom

## Parables of the Kingdom (Mark Chapter 4)

#### The Sower

- 1 The scattered seed fell onto four different places, the last mentioned being the good soil. Write down the **three** other places on which the seed fell.
- 2 Complete Jesus' words: "Listen, then, if ..."
- 3 "You have been given the secret of the Kingdom of God ..."
  To whom was Jesus speaking?
- **4** Jesus interpreted to Parable of the Sower. What did he say the seeds represent?
- 5 "These are the ones who hear the message, but the worries about this life, the love for riches, and all other kinds of desires crowd in and choke the message, and they don't bear fruit."

What in the parable is used to represent these people?

### The Lamp under a Bowl

- 6 Complete Jesus' words: "Whatever is hidden away will be ..."
- 7 Complete: "Pay attention to what you hear! The same rules you use ..."

### The Growing Seed

8 "Yet he does not know how it happens."
The farmer does not know how what happens?

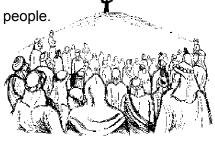
#### The Mustard Seed

- 9 Complete Jesus' words: "It puts out such large branches that ..."
- 10 'He would not speak to them without using parables ...'
  Who are the 'them'?



# **Beginning of Public Ministry (1:14-15)**

11 Jesus announced that the Kingdom was 'standing right beside' the people. What **two** things did he command the people to do?



#### Jesus and the Children

- **12** In this incident the disciples began by scolding the people around. Why?
- 13 What was Jesus' reaction to this?
- 14 Complete the sentence: "I assure you that whoever does not receive ..."
- **15** What did Jesus do to the children?



- **16** A scribe asked Jesus which commandment was the most important of all. What, in essence, was Jesus' reply?
- 17 What led Jesus to say to the scribe: "You are not far from the Kingdom of God?"

# **Entry to the Kingdom**

- 18 A rich man asked Jesus a question. What question?
- **19** How did Jesus **first** reply?
- 20 Complete: "Teacher," the man said, "ever since ..."
- 21 In his reply to this, Jesus invited the man to do three things. Which three?
- 22 Complete: "It is much harder for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of God ..."

