

Sunday September 27th 2015
Without a Parable
Part One
Study Questions

1). Read Genesis 22:17-18 – What promise is given to Abraham and what significance does this have for the nation of Israel?

a). When did the Theocracy begin and why did it end?

b). With the Theocracy having ended many years before how do we explain a remnant of Jews in the land of Israel at Christ's first advent?

2). Taking into account the scriptures we looked at what parallels can we see between John the Baptist, past, and Elijah, yet future?

3). Read Matthew 3:1-3 – What is the complete significance of John's message?

a). Read Matthew 4:23 – What does this verse tell us about Jesus' ministry?

4). What is significant about the events recorded in Matthew Chapter 12 happening 'on the Sabbath'?

a). What is the first of the 3 interrelated events all about?

b). What is the second event about and why does Matthew reference Isaiah Chapter 42?

c). Read Matthew 12:14 and Matthew 21:33-43 – what connection can we make between these verses?

d). What is particularly significant about the third event?

e) What parallels can we draw here with Israel at Kadesh Barnea?

f). So, putting all this together what would you say is Israel's religious leaders' attitude to 'The Sabbath'?

g). Why is this so serious and what is the Lord's reaction to it?

5). Read Matthew 12:38 – what do you make of this verse?

6). What has been for you the most significant thing to take away from this study?