

**New Testament for Ministry**  
Lecture #4 Outline: Parables

- I.** Introduction to Parables
  - A. Prominence of Parables
  - B. What are Parables?
  - C. Parables and Everyday Life
  - D. Parables as Prophetic
  - E. Parables for Ministry
  
- II.** Quintessential Parable: Sower (Mark 4.1–34)
  
- III.** Interpretation of Select Parables
  - A. Allegorical?
  - B. Good Samaritan (Luke 10.25–37)
  - C. Two Debtors (Luke 7.36–47)
  - D. Great Banquet (Luke 14.15–24)
  - E. Prodigal Son (Luke 15.11–31)
  - F. Unjust Steward (Luke 16.1–13)
  - G. Rich Man and Lazarus (Luke 16.9–31)
  
- IV.** Parables and Ethical Emphases
  - A. Cross
  - B. (New) Creation
  - C. Compassion
  - D. Covenant Community
  - E. Covenant Presence
  
- V.** Application