The Parables of the King

Mark 4:1-20

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth!
I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will utter dark sayings from of old,
things that we have heard and known,
that our fathers have told us.
We will not hide them from their children,
but tell to the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might,
and the wonders that he has done.
Psalm 78:1-4

I. **MAKING SENSE (1-9):** Do these stories really make any sense at all?

II. **KEEPING SECRETS (10-12):** Why would Jesus use a medium as confusing as parables?

III. **TILLING SOIL (13-20):** The nature of parables illustrates the nature of the Kingdom.