

## A Fruitless Fig Tree Kurt Thielen May 18th & 19th, 2024

A "parable" is an illustrative <u>story</u> by which a familiar idea is used to explain an unfamiliar idea.

"He is no fool who gives up what he can't keep to gain that which he can't lose" - Jim Elliot

Luke 13:1-5

1. In God's kingdom, <u>ENTRANCE</u> is gained through authentic <u>REPENTANCE</u>.

Job 4:5-7





Repentance is your <u>first step</u> to gain entry into the kingdom of God.

True Christian repentance involves a heartfelt conviction of sin, a contrition over the offense to God, a turning away from the sinful way of life, and a turning towards a God-honoring way of life.

Sam Storm

2. In God's kingdom, <u>FRUITFULNESS</u> is the expectation not the exception.

Luke 13:6-9, Luke 13:6

John 15:5,8, Galatians 5:22-23





There is fruit <u>ANEMIC</u> fruit.
There is fruit <u>ABUNDANT</u> fruit . <i>Jeremiah 17:8</i>
3. In God's kingdom, <u>FRUITLESSNESS</u> disrupts kingdom work.
Luke 13:7
There is <u>ARTIFICIAL</u> fruit.

4.	In God's kingdom,	His	<b>PATIENCE</b>	provides	hope
fo	r those still on the	outs	side.		

Luke 13:8-9

There is **ABSENT** fruit.

2 Peter 3:9