**Writing A Parable**

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* A parable is a story that compares something we DON’T know with something that we DO know.
* A parable usually has a surprise twist that helps us see things in a new way.
* Jesus used parables to give us a glimpse of the mystery of the Kingdom of God.
	1. *Write a parable in today’s context. If Jesus was living today in North America, what kind of story would he have used to teach his lesson to us?*
	2. *Using the 5 characteristics of the parable, write down how your parable has those 5 characteristics.*

Five Characteristics of a parable

1. A parable is a story. (5)
2. A parable is a comparison. (What is being compared in this story?) (2)
3. A parable contains a crisis. (What is the crisis in your parable?) (2)
4. A parable has an ending. (How does your parable end—as expected or not?) (2)
5. A parable is about God’s kingdom or way of acting among us. (What reality of God and God’s kingdom is told in this story of Jesus?) (4)

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