

Parables of Jesus

Our Stay-at -Home series is about the Parables Jesus told. Jesus used the parables to explain to us concepts that may otherwise be difficult to understand. Over the next several weeks we will look at the earthly stories and explain and apply the heavenly meaning that goes with them.

I have included a short story video for this lesson. Please use the link below to access the video.

Link to the Story Video - Workers in the Vineyard- <https://youtu.be/CGuDoclp-CA>

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The Workers in the Vineyard


Lesson Plan

Key Verses: **(Matthew 20:1-16)**

Objectives:

 2's&3's -

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- To learn the parable of The Workers in the Vineyard.

 4's&5's -

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Application:

 2's&3's -


- I can follow Jesus.

 4's&5's -

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 K & 1st -

- I can follow Jesus.
- I can encourage others to follow Jesus.

 2nd & 3rd -

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Activities:

 2's&3's - Workers in the Vineyard Color page (page 6)

 4's&5's - Workers in the Vineyard Color page (page 6)

Workers in the Vineyard - Find the Difference (page 7)

 K & 1st - Workers in the Vineyard - Find the Difference (page 7)

Workers in the Vineyard Clock (page 8-9)

 2nd & 3rd - Workers in the Vineyard - Find the Difference (page 7)

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 4th & up - Workers in the Vineyard Daily News (page 10)

Parable - The Workers in the Vineyard (Matt 20:1-16)

Who remembers what a parable is? That's right, a parable is an earthly story with a heavenly meaning. In other words, it's a story that we can easily understand to help explain something more complicated that we may not easily understand. Over the last several weeks we have discussed many parables. We have learned how to be a light, a wise man who built his house on the rock, the rich fool taught us what our priorities should be, and we learned about being a sower and how to hear God's Word. Today's parable teaches us another lesson on the kingdom of heaven.

Jesus says:

1 "For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. 2 After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. 3 And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, 4 and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' 5 So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. 6 And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' 7 They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the



vineyard
too.' 8And when
evening came,
the owner of the
vineyard said to
his foreman, 'Call
the laborers and
pay them their
wages, beginning



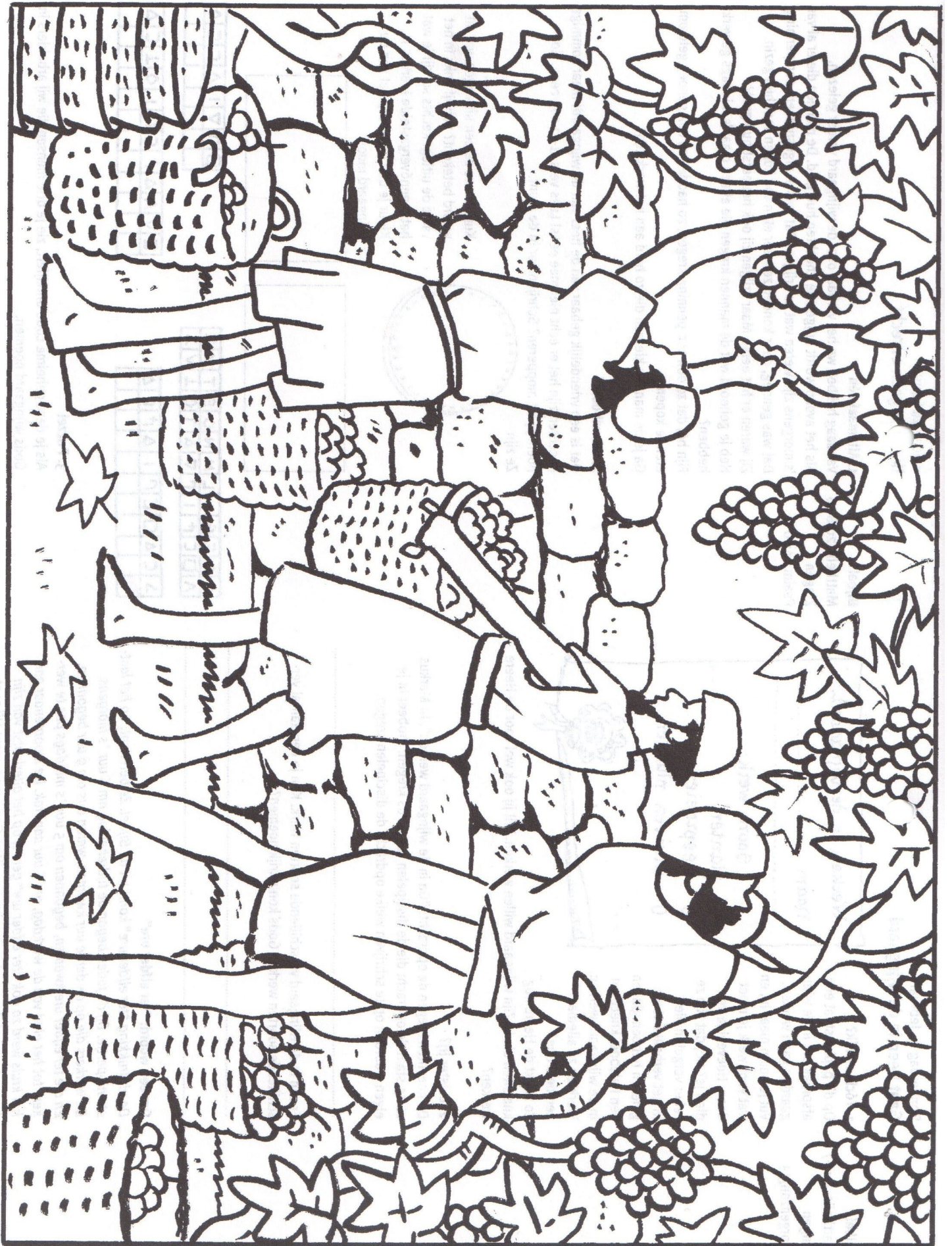
with the last, up to the first.' 9And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. 10Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. 11And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, 12saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' 13But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? 14Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. 15Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' 16So the last will be first, and the first last."

Just like the workers in the vineyard, Christians are to follow Jesus and will receive our reward (payment) of a home in heaven. God wants us to follow and love Him. It does not matter who follows first or who follows longer as long as we follow and love Him, sharing Him with others, so they can follow too. And one day we will all share a home in heaven with God.

Following Jesus is not a competition with our fellow Christians, it's a job we do together to all receive the same reward in heaven some day.

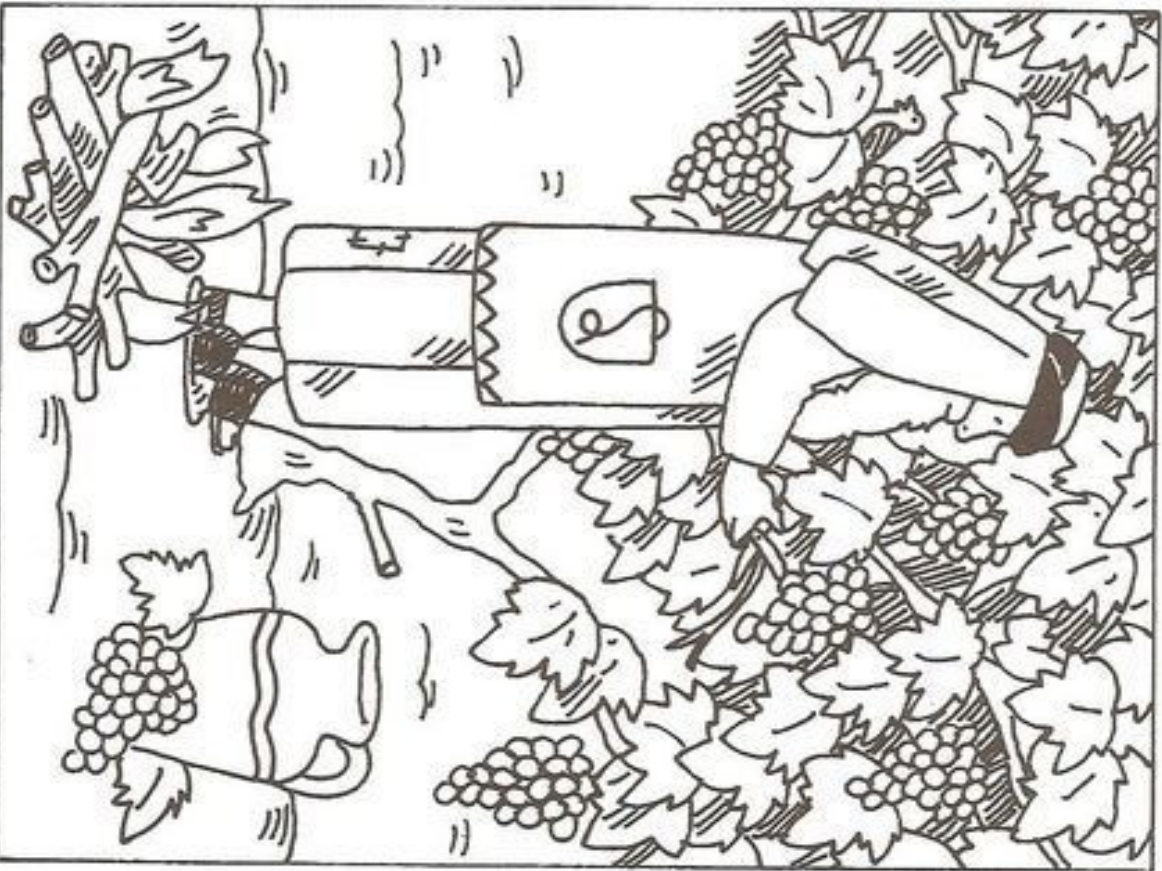
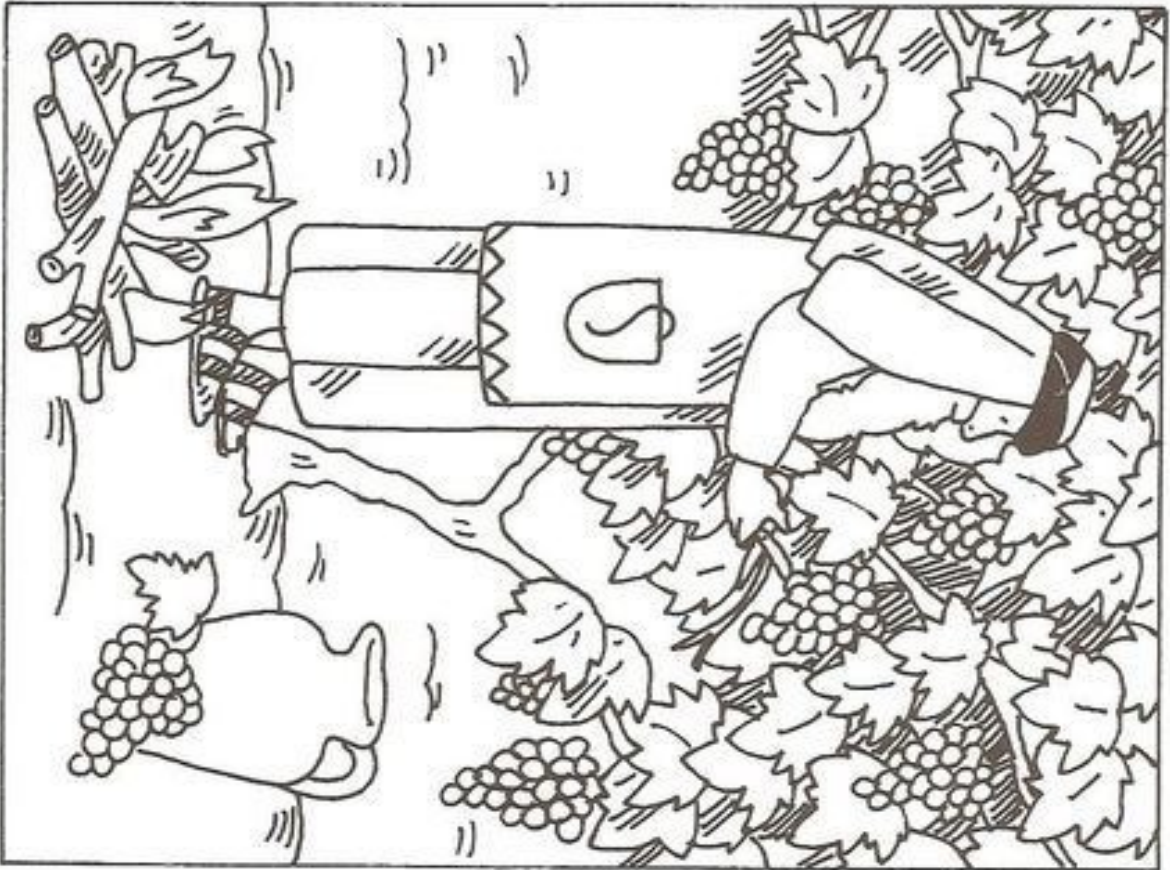
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Workers in the Vineyard

Find the differences between the 2 pictures



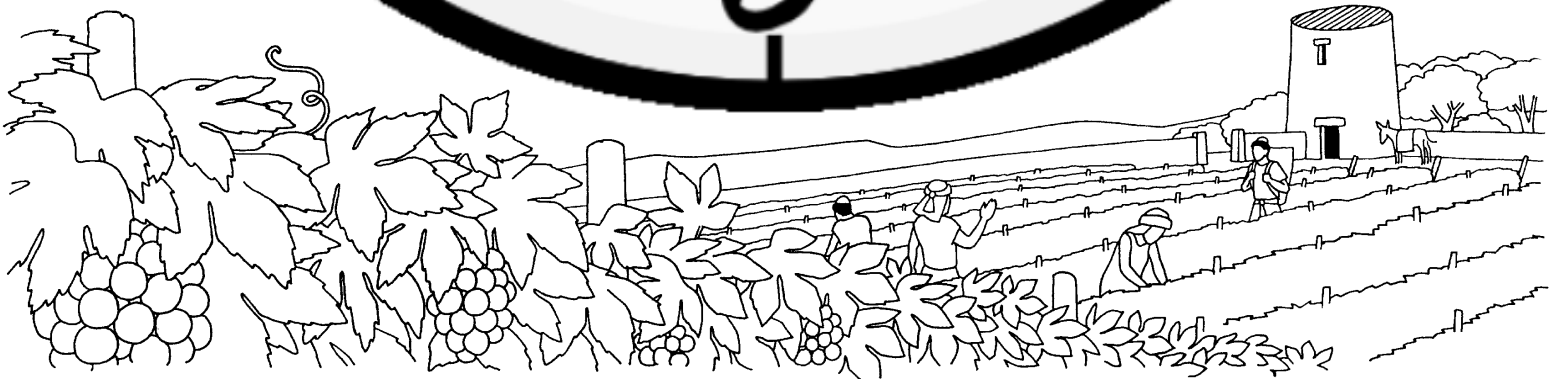
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Matt 20:1-16

Jesus said, "So the last will be first
and the first will be last."

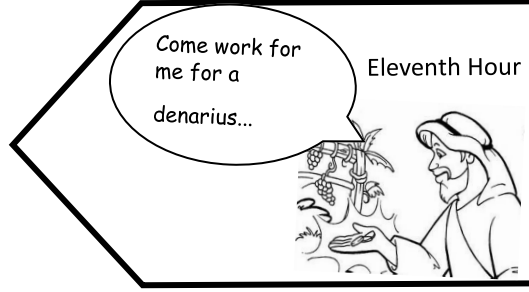
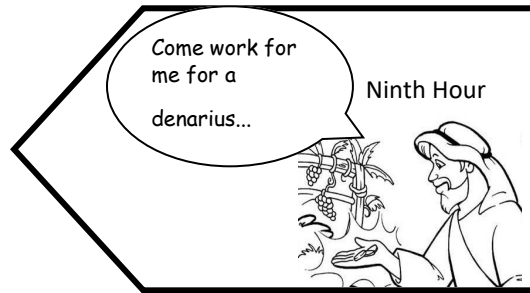
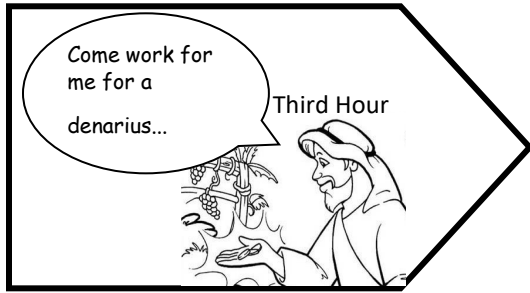
Matt 20:16

All who believe in Jesus can go to
heaven, no matter how long they
have believed in Him.



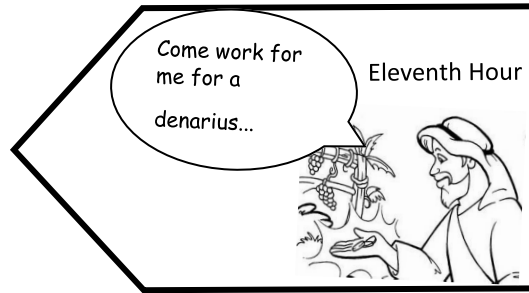
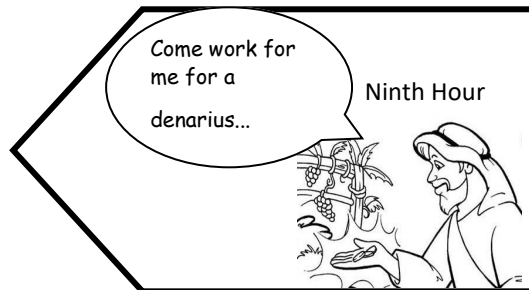
Workers in the Vineyard

Cut out pieces and glue on the clock



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Workers in the Vineyard

Daily News

Wages for Workers

(What was the agreed upon wage?)

First Hour -

Third Hour -

Ninth Hour -

Eleventh Hour -

Map of the Vineyard

Equal Pay for Equal Work

(what was the workers chief complaint?)

Land Owner's Response

The Kingdom of Heaven

(What is the lesson of this parable?)

