

## 6. Excursus on the study of Parables:

- a. Survey all relevant material
- b. Establish the main point of the parable
- c. Interpret other materials in the light of this.
- d. Do not press details or look for mystery meanings in or implied in the text.

E. The King: His ministry and Rejection 14-23

## 1. The conflict with the authorities 14-16

## a. Questions:

- (1) Why did Jesus leave after John's death? (14:14)
- (2) What are some of the storm at sea differences between Matthew 8:23-27 and 14:22-23
- (3) What is the chief teaching in Matthew 15:16-20
- (4) Study carefully the account of the Syro-Phoenician woman (15:21-28). Why do the writers include this passage out of all that Jesus did ..in your opinion, that is.
- (5) What is the heart of Peter's confessions (16:16)

## b. Segments:

- (1) John the Baptist 14:1-12
- (2) Feeding the multitudes  
14:15-21  
15:32-39
- (3) Questions of the scribes and Pharisees 15:1-9, 16:1-5
- (4) Warnings against hypocrisy 16:6-12
- (5) Explanation of the causes of defilement: 15:10-20