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Parables

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The lecture for week 1 was basically Dr. Notley introducing the meaning to Parables. Dr Notley explains the true meaning and goes into depth as to why this is how it's supposed to portray. As one enters class thinking that Parables are only said in the New Testament, well I was one of those people who didn't know that Parables could mean much more in which I was shocked when Dr. Notley explained during the lecture.

Dr Notley explains how Jesus Parable represents an early stage in the Old Testament. Dr. Notley explains the meaning of Parables that it teaches a moral lesson. Dr N. asks a question on Parables on what literary structure it uses. The answer to that question is it uses a metaphor in which to me it really does makes sense. Dr. N then further expands into why into today's modern day we all usually say that, "we are all created in God's images" in which many of us are accustomed to say. Dr N that it was controversial in the 1<sup>st</sup> century. To me which was mind blowing was that Dr N. mentioned that The Old Testament only mentions that Adam is created in God's images. That statement that Dr N. made really made me ponder about how I am really reading the Bible. We can all read the Bible, but we don't take the wording seriously in which I meaning looking for symbolism in which God is trying to say to us readers. If you want to learn the theology of Jesus, you need to read the parables! The purpose of Parables is not to keep secrets Jewish Parables are in Hebrew. ALL PARABLES ARE TAUGHT IN HEBREW!

There are no Aramaic Parables .The parables are all taught in the land of Israel.We don't have parables outside of Israel.