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Three Parts to Every Parable

- The Natural Story
- The Spiritual Truth
- The Personal Truth

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THE NATURAL STORY: You Don't Fast at a Wedding

THE SPIRITUAL TRUTH: Following Jesus is a Celebration

THE PERSONAL TRUTH: Jesus Wants to Do Something New in Your Life

¹ Peter 1:8 Though you have not seen him, you love him; though not seeing him now, you believe in him, and you rejoice with *inexpressible and glorious joy.*

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A Wedding Celebration

Matthew 6:16-18

¹⁶ Whenever you fast, don't be gloomy like the hypocrites. For they disfigure their faces so that their fasting is obvious to people. Truly I tell you, they have their reward. ¹⁷ But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, ¹⁸ so that your fasting isn't obvious to others but to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

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A New Patch On Old Clothes

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THE NATURAL STORY: You Don't Put a New Patch on Old Clothes

THE SPIRITUAL TRUTH: Jesus Came to Replace the Old With Something New

THE PERSONAL TRUTH: Jesus Wants to Do Something New in Your Life

² Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a **new creation**; the old has passed away, and see, **the new has come!**

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New Wine in Old Wineskins

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THE NATURAL STORY: New Wine Will Burst an Old Wineskin

THE SPIRITUAL TRUTH: Following Jesus Is Always a New Adventure

THE PERSONAL TRUTH: Jesus Wants to Do Something New in Your Life

Hebrews 3:15 Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.

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2 Corinthians 4:16

Therefore we do not give up. Even though our outer person is being destroyed, our inner person is being renewed day by day.

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