

40 Days to the Trainer – Introduction

Jesus spoke in parables. He taught people in ways that they would understand: farming, fishing, etc. I work with horses every day so God teaches me using horse parables. God has taught me using something I can relate to in my own life and I would like to pass it along to you. There are 4.6 million people in the horse industry in the U.S. and this is my primary audience. The parables will probably make the most sense to people that are familiar with horses. However, I believe that even if you aren't familiar with horses, you will still be able to benefit from the parables. This is a 40-day program designed to: 1) help eliminate the resistance in your life, and 2) be a guide to discipleship.

If you have a horse with a problem and your trainer is worth a hoot, “40 days to the trainer” ought to fix it. If you are a person with a problem, my trainer is the best and “40 Days to the Trainer” ought to fix it. He even specializes in the “problem” person. If we send a horse to a trainer for 40 days we expect the horse to be able to get a job done when we pick them up. Treat the next 40 days like you are a horse that God wants to use to do a job. You are entering God's training program. If you are currently experiencing pressure in any area of your life, maybe the Lord is just waiting for you to turn and face, to give *everything* to Him. Maybe He has His rope around your neck and is waiting for you to turn to Him. I was roped when I was a junior in high school. And after choking down numerous times the last 10 years, the Lord showed me how to turn to Him for air, to find continual peace and contentment in this life, and I would like to pass it along to you.

Jesus said, **“Verily, I say unto you except ye be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven” (Mat 18:3)**. If you choose to try the “40 Days to the Trainer,” my goal for you is to not learn from me, but to learn from the Lord. To be converted as a little child or in the case of the parables, a young horse that God wants to teach to do a job. Some of the toughest horses to start are the ones that have been through a few training programs that were unsuccessful. Be converted and start fresh. God wants to teach His children. However, we have to be willing to let Him teach us. I do not have children, but for you parents, I do not think you would turn your back on one of your kids if they were lost and confused. If they came running to you with their arms open in desperate need of help, I do not see how a parent could turn their back on a young child. On a little kid that only wanted to be held and comforted by their parent.

However, for you parents, don't you think it would break your heart if you saw one of your children crying in anguish, and you held out your arms to pick them up and hold them and they ran to someone else, someone else that could never love them and care for them like you could? When we are lost and confused we should run to our heavenly Father. He wants to pick us up, love on us, and teach us. How much does your heavenly Father love you? Well, picture Jesus standing with His hands spread wide apart to embrace you. Now picture those hands with nails driven through them, hanging on a cross for you. This is how much God loved His children. Jesus dying on the cross not only gives us salvation, but an open line of communication. God loves His children and He wants to teach His children. The next 40 days are designed to show you what God has shown me through horses; how we can eliminate the resistance keeping us

from communicating with our heavenly Father. If somebody came to me to get help with their horse 40 times and only learned to listen to me and not their horse, I would be a very poor teacher. If at the end of 40 days you are still listening to me and have not learned to hear the Lord better, then I have failed.

If you are currently attending a church, I am not trying to pull you away from your church. I am only giving to you what has been giving to me, to help God move among you in mighty ways, and serve as an outreach program to the cowboys and horse people in your community. We are all called to do something for the Lord. As I said earlier there are 4.6 million people in the horse industry in the U.S. The Lord showed me to just start there. If you wish to share in this ministry to bring revival to the 4.6 million people in the horse industry, please take what I have been given and run with it.

I pray that Godly men and women will take what God has given me and continue to spread it to those hard-headed cowboys and cowgirls out there. Please take it and use it. God has given it to me to give to the horse industry and I do not seek anything from it. Jesus was the greatest teacher and sold none of His teachings. Elijah was the greatest prophet and sold none of his prophecies. David was the greatest psalmist and sold none of his songs. Yet God took care of them. Use the disciple formula (Foundation for Perfection – A Guide to Discipleship) to help you in your life and use the horse formula (Foundation for Perfection – Horsemanship) to help you with your horse. Take the horse formula and teach it to those around you. If they are able to see results in their horse, perhaps it will serve as window to get them to test the formula in their life. This is not mine; it is God's. Take it, print it, use it, and spread it!

Smith Wigglesworth prophesied in the late 1800's: **“In the last days the gospel will be spread by the cowboy...”**

God Bless,
Wade Black