## How Can We Communicate Eternal Truth in Such Beautiful Ways That the Culture Takes Notice?

Creativity and the Storytelling of Jesus...

The best example of beautiful communication comes from Jesus Himself. What can we learn from Him? Whenever He wanted to make an important point, or reveal a critical truth, He creatively developed interesting stories that captured the imaginations of His audience. Should we do the same? Can we do the same in the 21<sup>st</sup> century? What can we learn from Jesus'?

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## I. The Importance of Story

## II. The Storytelling methods of Jesus

- a. Creativity of Jesus
- b. Parables of Jesus

## III. The power of film to tell important stories

- a. Great films are built upon great stories
- b. Using films that explore biblical themes
- c. Creating films that communicate biblical truth
- d. How can film enhance your ministry?