John 16:12~ I have many things yet to say to you, but you are not able to bear them at present.

1. Jesus then told his disciples, that he had many things to share with them, but they were not ready spiritually, for him to share them with them.

[Question] What then, did Jesus show, that he wanted to share with them, by why could he not do so?

2. So with many illustrations of that sort he would speak the word to them, as far as they were able to listen. (Mark 4:33)

[Question] How far did Jesus then lead his disciples, and what was the limiting factor?

3. And so, brothers, I was not able to speak to you as to spiritual men, but as to fleshly men, as to babes in Christ. (1 Corinthians 3:1)

[Question] How did Paul show a similar holding back of spiritual matters toward some, who had not spiritually advanced far enough to grasp them at present?