



THE KINGDOM OF THE BELOVED SON

A Series through the life of Jesus Christ

Colossians 1:13 He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of His beloved Son

Matthew 13



Matthew 13 The Parable of the Seed and Soils

1 That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the sea.

2 Such large crowds gathered around Him that He got into a boat and sat down, while all the people stood on the shore.

3 And He told them many things in parables, saying,

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3 ...“A sower [farmer] went out to sow his seed

4 And as he was sowing, some seed fell along the path, where it was trampled, and the birds came and devoured it.

5 Some fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil.

It immediately sprang up because the soil was shallow.

6 But when the sun rose, the seedlings were scorched, and they withered because they had no root.

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8 Still other seed fell on good soil, where it sprouted, grew up, and produced a crop—a hundredfold, sixtyfold, or thirtyfold.

9 Then Jesus said, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

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12 Whoever has will be given more, and he will have an abundance.

Whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him.

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13 This is why I speak to them in parables:

**‘Though seeing, they do not see;
though hearing, they do not hear or understand.’**

[Deuteronomy 29:4, Isaiah 42:20,
Jeremiah 5:21, Ezekiel 12:2]

14 In them the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled:

**‘You will be ever hearing but never understanding;
you will be ever seeing but never perceiving.’**

**15 For this people’s heart has grown callous;
they hardly hear with their ears,
and they have closed their eyes.**

**Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears,
understand with their hearts, and turn, and I would heal them.’**

[Isaiah 6:9–10]

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**16 But blessed are your eyes because they see,
and your ears because they hear.**

**17 For truly I tell you, many prophets and righteous
men longed to see what you see but did not see it,
and to hear what you hear but did not hear it.**

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**34 Jesus spoke all these things to the crowds in
parables.**

He did not tell them anything without using a parable.

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Matthew 13 The Second Soil (Shallow/Rocky Soil)

20 The seed sown on rocky ground is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy.

21 But since he has no root in himself, he remains for only a season.

When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, (in a time of testing) he quickly falls away.

- 1. Those who had a repentless conversion.**
- 2. Those who had an emotional experience.**
- 3. Those who want the things that only God can offer, but do not actually want Him.**
- 4. Those did not properly count the cost.**

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John 15

1 "I am the true vine, and My Father is the keeper of the vineyard.

2 He cuts off every branch in Me that bears no fruit, and every branch that does bear fruit, He prunes to make it even more fruitful.

8 This is to My Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, **proving yourselves to be My disciples.**

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Fruit

The Sower:

1. The Sower is not very important.

1 Corinthians 3

6 I planted the seed and Apollos watered it,
but God made it grow.

7 So neither he who plants nor he who waters is
anything, but only God, who makes things grow.

The Sower:

1. The Sower is not very important.
2. It is very important that the Sower sows the seed.

The Seed:

1. The Word of God is living and active, sharper than any double-edged sword, and always accomplishes His purpose.

The Seed:

Mark 4

26 Jesus also said, “The kingdom of God is like a man who scatters seed on the ground.

27 Night and day he sleeps and wakes,
and the seed sprouts and grows,
though he knows not how.

28 All by itself the earth produces a crop—
first the stalk, then the head, then grain that ripens within.

Acts 6:7 So the **word** of God spread.

The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly,

Acts 12:24 But the **word** of God continued to spread and flourish.

Acts 13:49 The **word** of the Lord spread through the whole region.

Acts 14:21 They preached the **gospel** in that city and won a large number of disciples.

Acts 19:20 In this way the **word** of the Lord spread widely and grew in power.



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