

# SOWING AND PLANTING IN FERTILE GROUND



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# MORNING READING

## GODS SOVEREIGNTY AND GUIDANCE

### John 3:14-17 New King James Version

**14** And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, **15** that whoever believes in Him should [c]not perish but have eternal life. **16** For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

**17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.**

**Philippians 4:13 New King James Version**

**13 I can do all things through [a]Christ who strengthens me.**

# **Matthew 13:1-23 New King James Version**

## **The Parable of the Sower**

**1 On the same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the sea. 2 And great multitudes were gathered together to Him, so that He got into a boat and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore. 3 Then He spoke many things to them in parables, saying: “Behold, a sower went out to sow.**

**4 And as he sowed, some seed fell by the wayside; and the birds came and devoured them. 5 Some fell on stony places, where they did not have much earth; and they immediately sprang up because they had no depth of earth. 6 But when the sun was up they were scorched, and because they had no root they withered away. 7 And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked them.**

**8 But others fell on good ground and yielded a crop: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. 9 He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”**

## **The Purpose of Parables**

**10 And the disciples came and said to Him, “Why do You speak to them in Parables?”**

**11 He answered and said to them, “Because it has been given to you to know the [a]mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given.**

**12 For whoever has, to him more will be given, and he will have abundance; but whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him. 13 Therefore I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. 14 And in them the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled, which says: 'Hearing you will hear and shall not understand, And seeing you will see and not perceive;**

**15 For the hearts of this people have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, And their eyes they have closed, Lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, Lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, So that I [b]should heal them.' 16 But blessed are your eyes for they see, and your ears for they hear; 17 for assuredly, I say to you that many prophets and righteous men desired to see what you**



**see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.**

**The Parable of the Sower Explained**

**18 “Therefore hear the parable of the sower: 19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside. 20 But he who received the seed on stony places, this is he who hears the word**

**and immediately receives it with joy; 21 yet he has no root in himself, but endures only for a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles. 22 Now he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the word, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful.**

**23 But he who received seed on the good ground is he who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and produces: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.” END**

## **THE FOUR SOILS:**

- 1) The seed by the wayside.**
- 2) The seed on stony places**
- 3) The seed among the thorns**
- 4) The seed on the good ground**

## **VERSE 3 says: MATTHEW 13:3**

**Then He spoke many things to them in parables, saying: “Behold, a sower went out to sow. 4 And as he sowed, some seed fell by the wayside; and the birds came and devoured them.**

## **MATTHEW 13: 5-6**

**5 Some fell on stony places, where they did not have much earth; and they immediately sprang up because they had no depth of earth.**

**6 But when the sun was up they were scorched, and because they had no root they withered away.**

**MATTHEW 13:7** And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked them.

**MATTHEW 13:8** But others fell on good ground and yielded a crop: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

**MATTHEW 13: 9** He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”

**Isaiah 30:21 Says**

**GOD'S WORD Translation**

**21 You will hear a voice behind you saying, "This is the way. Follow it, whether it turns to the right or to the left."**

**Philippians 4:19**

**New International Version**

**And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.**

## **2 Timothy 3:5 King James Version**

**5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away; and Run, Run, Run.**

## **MATTHEW 13:10,**

**the disciples came to Jesus to ask, why he spoke to the people in parables?, and he simply mentioned that it was given to the disciples to know the mysteries of heaven, but not to all.**

## **MATTHEW 7:7 King James Bible**

**Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:**

## **MATTHEW 13:12-14**

**12 For whoever has, to him more will be given, and he will have abundance**

**13 Therefore I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand.**



**14 And in them the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled, which says: 'Hearing you will hear and shall not understand, And seeing you will see and not perceive;**

**MATTHEW 13:16-17**

**16 But blessed are your eyes for they see, and your ears for they hear;**

**17 for assuredly, I say to you that many prophets and righteous men desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.**

## **MATTHEW 13:23**

**23 But he who received seed on the good ground is he who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and produces: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.**

## **Psalms 68:19 King James Version**

**19 Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Selah.**

## **DEUTORONOMY: 28:2-12**

**2 All these blessings will come on you and accompany you if you obey the LORD your God: 3 You will be blessed in the city and blessed in the country. 4 The fruit of your womb will be blessed, and the crops of your land and the young of your livestock—the calves of your herds and the lambs of your flocks. 5 Your basket and your kneading trough will be blessed.**

**6 You will be blessed when you come in and blessed when you go out. 7 The LORD will grant that the enemies who rise up against you will be defeated before you. They will come at you from one direction but flee from you in seven. 8 The LORD will send a blessing on your barns and on everything you put your hand to. The LORD your God will bless you in the land he is giving you. 9 The LORD will establish you as his holy people, as he promised**

**you on oath, if you keep the commands of the LORD your God and walk in obedience to him. 10 Then all the peoples on earth will see that you are called by the name of the LORD, and they will fear you.**

**11 The LORD will grant you abundant prosperity—in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your ground—in the land he swore to your ancestors to give you.**

**12 The LORD will open the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands. You will lend to many nations but will borrow from none. 13 The LORD will make you the head, not the tail. If you pay attention to the commands of the LORD your God that I give you this day and carefully follow them, you will always be at the top, never at the bottom.**

## **MATTHEW 13:16**

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and your ears for they hear;**

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