

The Parable of the Soils

<p>The Parable (Matt 13:3-9) (Mark 4:3-9) (Luke 8:4-8)</p>	<p>...beside the road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - birds ate up the seeds - seed trampled underfoot - hard soil 	<p>... rocky soil/ground</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - immediately sprang up - withered away - scorched by the sun - no depth of soil - no root - no moisture 	<p>...among the thorns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - thorns came up with the seed and choked it out - yielded no crop 	<p>... good soil</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - yielded a crop - seed grew up & increased - produced 30 / 60 / 100 fold
<p>The Seed</p>	<p>The word of the kingdom (:19) – the word (:14) – the word of God (:11)</p>			
<p>The Sower</p>	<p>God, Jesus & all those who preach/teach the gospel of the kingdom</p>			
<p>The Interpretation (Matt 13:18-23) (Mark 4:14-20) (Luke 8:11-15)</p>	<p>= those who: hear & do not understand</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the evil one immediately snatches away what has been sown so they will not believe and be saved 	<p>= those who: hear & immediately receive with joy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - have no root - are temporary (believe for a while) - <u>affliction</u> or <u>persecution</u> because of the word, <u>temptation</u> <p>→ fall away = take offense at, stumble over Jesus</p>	<p>= those who: have heard but the word is choked out by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - worries, wealth/riches desires for other things pleasures of life <p>→ the word becomes unfruitful they bring no fruit to maturity</p>	<p>= those who: hear & understand & accept the word & hold it fast</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - brings forth fruit - 30, 60, 100fold - bears fruit with perseverance

THE SOILS = How men receive and respond to the word of God

THE WHEAT AND THE TARES

The Parable	A man sows good seed in his field	His enemy sows tares among the wheat	At the harvest the tares are burned and the wheat is gathered into the barn
The Meaning	Jesus sows sons of the kingdom in the world	The devil (the evil one) sows his sons among the sons of the kingdom	At the end of the age His angels will remove the sons of the evil one & throw them into the fire The righteous will remain

THE WHEAT & THE TARES = How God will divide His true people from false believers at the end of the age



WHEAT: before it is fully ripe.



TARES: Lolium Temulentum

