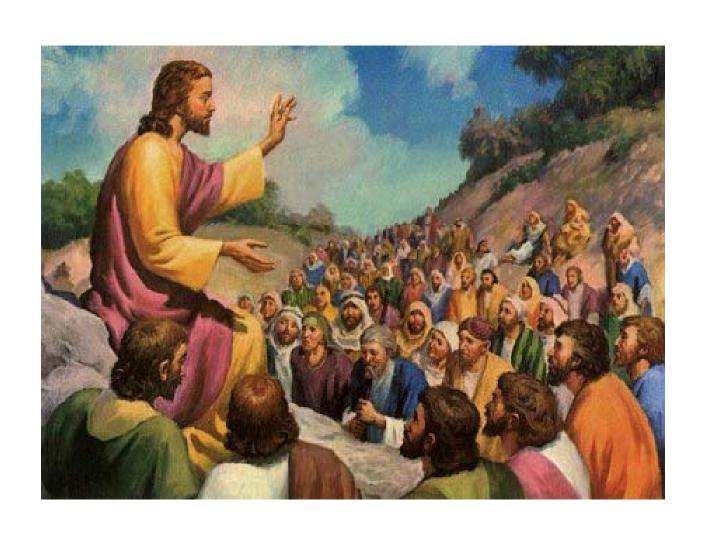
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Reading: Matthew 13:1-30



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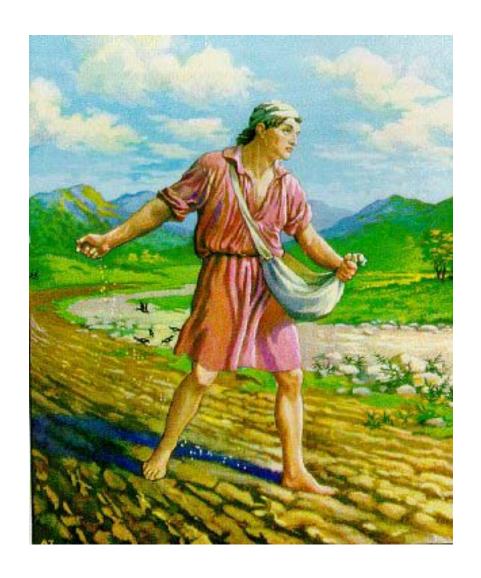
Why parables? (v 10-17)





Our soil condition

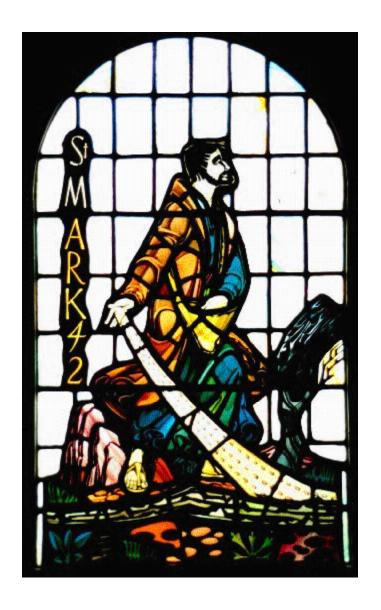
The parable of the Sower (v 1-9; 18-23)



Story	Secrets of the Kingdom
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Farmer	Jesus
Seed	Word
Soil	The man
Expectation of fruitbearing	Expectation of fruitbearing
Seed on path	
Birds eat it	Evil one snatches it away
No fruitbearing	No fruitbearing
Seed on rocky area	
Early growth	Initial receiving with joy
Sun comes	Trouble and persection
Scorches it so it dies	No roots, so dies
Seed on thorny soil	
Thorns grew up	Worries of this life,
	Deceitfulness of wealth
Choked the plants	Choke the word, unfruitful
Seed on good soil	
Fruit 100, 60, 30 times sown	Hears the word
	Understands it
	Fruit 100,60,30 times sown

Fruitbearing: wheat or waste

The parable of the Wheat & the Weeds (v 24-30)



Story	Secret of Kingdom
A man	
Good seed	
in his field	
While everyone was sleeping	
The enemy	
Sowed weeds among the wheat	
Both grew together until weeds visible	
Owner's servants	
Did you sow good seed?	
Where did the weeds come from?	
The enemy did this	
What do we do now?	
Let them grow together lest you lose some of the good	
At harvest, pick the weeds, bundle for burning	
Pick the wheat for the barn	

Story	Secret of Kingdom
A man	The Son of Man
Good seed	See below
in his field	The world
While everyone was sleeping	
The enemy	Satan, enemy of God
Sowed weeds among the wheat	Apparent fruit, but false
Both grew together until weeds visible	Sons of Satan
Owner's servants	Angels
Did you sow good seed?	Sons of the Kingdom
Where did the weeds come from?	Questioned the Lord
The enemy did this	Satan
What do we do now?	The question of God's purpose
Let them grow together lest you lose some of the good	
At harvest	The end of the age
The harvesters	The angels
pick the weeds, bundle for burning	Fiery furnace, weeping, gnashing of teeth
Pick the wheat for the barn	The righteous sons of the Kingdom of the Father, shining forever