



## THE SECRET OF THE SOIL AND THE SEED

Matthew 13:1-9

<sup>1</sup> On that day Jesus went out of the house and was sitting by the sea. <sup>2</sup> Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, while the whole crowd stood on the shore.

<sup>3</sup> Then he told them many things in parables, saying, "Consider the sower who went out to sow. <sup>4</sup> As he sowed, some seed fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. <sup>5</sup> Other seed fell on rocky ground where it didn't have much soil, and it grew up quickly since the soil wasn't deep. <sup>6</sup> But when the sun came up, it was scorched, and since it had no root, it withered away. <sup>7</sup> Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns came up and choked it. <sup>8</sup> Still other seed fell on good ground and produced fruit: some a hundred, some sixty, and some thirty times what was sown. <sup>9</sup> Let anyone who has ears listen."

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### Hard Heart

Matthew 13:4

As he sowed, some seed fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them.

Matthew 13:19

When anyone hears the word about the kingdom and doesn't understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is the one sown along the path.



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### Shallow Heart

Matthew 13:5-6

<sup>5</sup> Other seed fell on rocky ground where it didn't have much soil, and it grew up quickly since the soil wasn't deep. <sup>6</sup> But when the sun came up, it was scorched, and since it had no root, it withered away.

Matthew 13:20-21

<sup>20</sup> And the one sown on rocky ground—this is one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, <sup>21</sup> But he has no root and is short-lived. When distress or persecution comes because of the word, immediately he falls away.



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### Crowded Heart

Matthew 13:7

Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns came up and choked it.

Matthew 13:22

Now the one sown among the thorns—this is one who hears the word, but the worries of this age and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.



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**Fertile Heart**


Matthew 13:8-9  
 8 Still other seed fell on **good ground** and produced fruit: some a hundred, some sixty, and some thirty times what was sown. 9 Let anyone who has ears listen.”

Matthew 13:23  
 But the one sown on the **good ground**—this is one who hears and understands the word, who does produce fruit and yields: some a hundred, some sixty, some thirty times what was sown.”



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**Conditions of Your Heart at Any Given Moment**

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**Would You Like to Be a Fruitful Follower of Jesus?**

John 15:5  
 I am the vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without me.

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**Would You Like to Be a Fruitful Follower of Jesus?**

- > **Have a Hungry Appetite for God's Word**  
 1 Peter 2:2 Like newborn infants, desire the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow up into your salvation.
- > **Root Out the Weeds of Worry and Wealth**  
 Matthew 13:22 Now the one sown among the thorns—this is one who hears the word, but **the worries of this age** and **the deceitfulness of wealth** **choke** the word, and it becomes unfruitful.
- > **Actively Plant God's Word in Others**  
 Matthew 13:23 But the one sown on the good ground—this is one who hears and understands the word, who does produce fruit and yields: **some a hundred, some sixty, some thirty times what was sown.**

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