

MATTHEW 13:3-9

³ And He spoke many things to them in parables, saying, “Behold, the sower went out to sow; ⁴ and as he sowed, some seeds fell beside the road, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ “Others fell on the rocky places, where they did not have much soil; and immediately they sprang up, because they had no depth of soil. ⁶ “But when the sun had risen, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ “Others fell among the thorns, and the thorns came up and choked them out. ⁸ “And others fell on the good soil and yielded a crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, and some thirty. ⁹ “He who has ears, let him hear.”

Sowing The Seed



Matthew 13:3-23

Parable of the Soils

THE PARABLE OF THE SOILS (HEARTS)



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**The rest are revealed as
insufficient and failing**

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Luke 8:15

But the seed in the good soil, these are the ones who have heard the word in an honest and good heart, and hold it fast, and bear fruit with perseverance.

So Why The Illustration?



To identify what kind of heart each group had...

- The disciples proved to have the “*good soil*”.
(Mt. 13:10-12, 16-17)
- The rest proved they did not.
(vv. 13-15)
- But there is still hope for those that are not the “*good soil*”.

Application



Plant the seed

Break up the hard ground

Move the rocks

Cut out the thorns