

The Parable Of The Sower, The Interpretation

Matthew 13:18-28, v.18

I. The Seed By The Wayside.

A. **"...heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not..."**

1. heareth = "to be informed"
2. word = λογος = "the spoken word"
3. understandeth = συνιημι = "to gather the single features into a whole."

B. **"...then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in the heart..."**

1. catcheth = αρπαζω = "to snatch away," to carry off.
2. Whatever is sown in the heart is taken away.
3. Luke 8:12 - "...lest they should believe and be saved."

II. The Seed In Stony Places.

A. **"...he heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it;" v.20-21**

1. ("heareth" and "word" same as vs.19)
2. anon = ευθως = "straight" "right", time = "immediately"
3. joy = χαρα = "delight", "gladness."
4. receiveth = λαμβανω = "to take", "to take hold of".

B. **"yet hath not root in himself, but dureth for a while; for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended" v.21**

1. root = ριζα = "a root"
2. dureth = ειμι = "to be" + προσκαιρος = "for a season"
3. tribulation = θλιψις = "pressure" "compression"
4. persecution = διωγμος = "pursuit, s of enemies"
5. ariseth = γινομαι = "implying origin," to come into being," "to become", "to take place", "to be."
6. offended = σκανδαλιζω = "to cause to stumble."

III. The Seed Among Thorns.

A. **"He also that received seed among thorns is he that heareth the word:" v.22**

1. received seed = σπειρω = "to sow," "to scatter"
2. thorns = ακανθα = "a point," "thorn"
3. heareth = (same as I,A,1.)

B. **"...and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and it become unfruitful.**

1. care = μεριμνα = "dividing or distracting the mind;" anxious care," "trouble"
2. deceitfulness = απατη = "deceit, esp. by false statements", "self deception."
3. riches = πλουτος = "abounding wealth" Here it is the promise of more.
4. choke = αποπνιγω = "to strangle," "to suffocate"
5. unfruitful = ακαρπος = "without fruit"

IV. The Seed And Good Ground.

A. **"But he that received seed into good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it;"**

1. received = σπειρω = "to scatter"
2. good = καλος = "beautiful," "well-fitted"
3. heareth = ακουω = "to give ear, listen."
4. understandeth = συνιημι = "to collect together single features into a whole."

B. **"...which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundred fold, some sixty, some thirty."**

1. bearth fruit = καρποφορεω = "to bear fruit"
2. bringeth forth = ποιεω = "to make," to be doing, (to be doing but not completing the action)
3. For everyone grain, 100 are produced, for every 1, 60, 1, 30.
4. Each soil that is good produces according to its ability.

