

A photograph of a vast field of wheat under a warm, golden sunset sky. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a soft glow and long shadows. The wheat stalks in the foreground are in sharp focus, while the background is slightly blurred. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

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# Matthew 13:3 - 9

3 “A farmer went out to sow his seed. 4 As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. 5 Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. 6 But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. 7 Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. 8 Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. 9 He who has ears, let him hear.”

# Matthew 13:10 - 12

<sup>10</sup> Then the disciples came and said to Him, “Why do you speak to them in parables?” <sup>11</sup> And He answered them, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given. <sup>12</sup> For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.”

# Matthew 13:13 - 17

<sup>13</sup> This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. <sup>14</sup> Indeed, in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled that says:

“You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive.”

# Matthew 13:13 – 17 continued

<sup>15</sup> For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.' <sup>16</sup> But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear.

# Matthew 13:13 – 17 continued

<sup>17</sup> For truly, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.

- We have been given more
- We have a responsibility to seek and understand what He is saying
- There will be a harvest

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