

## Matthew 13

Jesus inside - Intel inside, so I can figure out these parables - those Pharisees didn't have the Holy Spirit.

In order to understand 13 you can recap the first 12 chapters of Matthew with the 12th chapter. If you want to know why He begins to speak to them in parables here - in -

Matthew 12:1 At that time Jesus went on the sabbath day through the corn; and his disciples were an hungered, and began to pluck the ears of corn, and to eat.

- the Messiah enters.

Matthew 12:3 But he said unto them, Have ye not read what David did, when he was an hungred, and they that were with him;

- He identifies Himself with David the king -> He is saying He is the Messiah, the root of Jesse. David was the root of Jesse. Christ is claiming to be the son of David with the right to the throne.

God deals with Israel in 12 chapters. Then the door is closed and the Jew and the Son dealings are closed in Matthew 12. In 13 (rejection, rebellion) He begins to speak to them in parables. God has rejected Israel and the only reason there is another opportunity in the book of Acts is that on the cross, Christ as the great high priest, who is supplying the sacrifices says to God the Father -

Luke 23:34 Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.

He was talking about the nation of Israel, so God gives them another chance in Acts.

Jesus teaches with parables – they hide the truth from those who can't spiritually discern rather than harden like with Pharaoh in Egypt

[[ Matthew 13:1 ]] The same day went Jesus out of the house, and sat by the sea side.

'out of the house' – the house of Israel

Matthew 10:6 But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

The apostles had been sent to preach to the house of Israel, but He goes out now. Its just more condemnation and revelation of the future now and seeking out those who will listen. The ministry to Israel as a nation is over with. Its individual acceptance from here on out. In Acts a group is gathered to give the Holy Ghost to go again to the nation of Israel.

'seaside' – in Genesis a promise to Abraham that he would have a seed like the sand by the seaside.

'sat' – He stands to judge His people.

Steven sees him standing in Acts 7. (also isa 3)

Isaiah 3:13 The LORD standeth up to plead, and standeth to judge the people.

– the nation of Israel. Here he goes OUT of the house and SITS down. Temporarily.

[[ Matthew 13:2 ]] And great multitudes were gathered together unto him, so that he went into a ship, and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore.

Now He has no desire to stand with them. He tells them parables – a veiled truth. He is no longer speaking open to them as in the past. You likewise should move on when rejected.

#### 4 things about a parable

- 1) its a truth veiled from the unbelieving (10-13)  
to a lost man the bible is a parable – you get the interpretation through the Holy Spirit, who brings you up to His level. Men who dont understand it try and change it.
- 2) there is never a proper name in a parable.  
in Luke 16 – thats NOT a parable
- 3) a parable is always called a parable.
- 4) the parable has an exact meaning for everything in the parable. Its to teach a definite lesson about definite things.

The Bible defines a parable as a mystery.

for us  
the rapture,  
the virgin birth,  
the body and the deity of Christ are a mystery. We have the  
mysteries.

God won't show you anything in His book unless you are  
willing to suffer for it.

Amos 3:7 Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth  
his secret unto his servants the prophets.

A prophet is persecuted and hated.

There are 2 Kingdoms and 2 types of Parables - KOG, KOH  
KOH - literal, physical -future - Messiah rules over this  
earth for 1,000 years

KOG - not literal, or physical - God is not physical

John 4:24 God [is] a Spirit: and they that worship him must  
worship [him] in spirit and in truth.

God is a spirit. Righteousness is an inanimate object.

Romans 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but  
righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

KOG is not meat or drink - spiritual - anywhere God rules  
in the spiritual sense.

Its within you. Righteousness in the heart.

God wants to rule in 2 places - eventually,  
- in the hearts of the people (KOG) and  
- over the creation (KOH). the KOG has been set up. You are born  
into it - (joh 3)

John 3:3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say  
unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom  
of God.

When you are born again, part of you is in the KOG. You  
arent born into the KOH. Your spirit is born into the kingdom of  
God your flesh is still under the kingdom of the devil. Your  
spirit becomes one with the Holy Spirit. Sinless and pefect.

1Corinthians 6:17 But he that is joined unto the Lord is one  
spirit.

KOH parables are DOCTRINALLY to be applied to the millennial kingdom only. We may be able to make some SPIRITUAL application to us. Matthew 13 parables can be applied to the church age SPIRITUALLY, not as DOCTRINE to the KOG the Christain is born into and subject to.

12 parables in this chapter - 12 tribes

12 parables are now given to Israel to blind them, NOT ME, in Matthew 13 - the number of rejection.

Some of the parables are KOH, some are KOG and some are both, have application to both kingdoms, some to one. All are on the church age. 3 are spoken of as both, the parable of Sower, Mustard seed and leaven. The other 9 in Matthew are KOH parables.

Why did Jesus use parables to hide the truth from those not hearing the Holy Spirit?

He used parables so that the hearts of those rejecting would not be hardened further: the very sun that softens the wax hardens the clay; and so the very same gospel message which breaks down honest hearts and leads to repentance, hardens the hearts of the dishonest and confirms them in their path of disobedience. In this sense, the parables of Jesus were not illustrations making difficult things clear to all who heard; they were a way of "encoding" God's message so the spiritually sensitive could understand, but the hardened would merely hear a story without heaping up additional condemnation for rejecting God's Word. Parables are an example of God's mercy towards the hardened! The parables are given in light of Jesus' rejection by the Jewish leaders, a mercy given to the undeserving.

## The parable of the sower (or, more properly, the parable of the soils)

Each soil represents one of four responses to the gospel of Jesus.

[[ Matthew 13:3 ]] And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow;

'sower' - Christ or anybody He sends with His message and His power. We are sowers with our TRACKS.

He is the messenger or whoever He authorizes to speak here.

The model is that the Lord is the Sower, sowing the seed, which is the Word of God.

The field in the collective sense is the world.

In the world there is different kinds of ground, in this case, four.

[[ Matthew 13:4 ]] And when he sowed, some [seeds] fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up:

1- 'wayside' - the ground, a heart that was off to the side. If a man's heart is on the way of righteousness He's on the right road. If he's on the side of the road, he's in a ditch and isn't going anywhere. a ditch - if you won't stay on the righteous path

'seeds' - the seed is the word - like Gospel tracks we seed with Its the word about the kingdom.

The sower Jesus is preaching the KOH. That part of the Bible that deals with the millenium.

We preach the gospel that gets people going to the KOG so we can DOCTRINALLY apply it to ourselves. In Matthew its those words that have reference to the KOH.

God uses 1 parable in 2 different ways, to apply doctrinally to 2 different kingdoms.

'fowls' - connected to the devil

zec 5 describes a devil (an unclean spirit) as having wings and long hair.

Zechariah 5:9 Then lifted I up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came out two women, and the wind [was] in their wings; for they had wings like the wings of a stork: and they lifted up the ephah between the earth and the heaven.

[[ Matthew 13:5 ]] Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth:

2 - hard surface, the seed lays there and the birds of the air take it away. Who are the birds? In verse 19, the evil one takes away the seed;

birds are bad in parables. – Even in your garden – birds eat the seeds you have sowed (When you plant grass seed)

Matthew 13:19 When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth [it] not, then cometh the wicked [one], and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.

The stony places refers to a place where the soil was thin, upon a rocky shelf; the seed springs up quickly because of the warmth of the soil, but the seed is unable to take root because of the rocky shelf.

In stony places, there is a little soil but not enough to take root.

A little pressure, a little persecution and they are on to the next fad, there are no roots to the idea.

[[ Matthew 13:6 ]] And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away.

'sun' – could be a picture of the second coming

Malachi 4:2 But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

'root' – Jesus Christ            How I figured that out –

Revelation 22:16 I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, [and] the bright and morning star.

He is the root and offspring of Jesse. Some people don't have a root.

[[ Matthew 13:7 ]] And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them:

3 - 'thorns' - connected with the curse on the ground in Genesis

This is defined as the cares of the world. Men get the weeds out of their yards on Sunday morning. You can't overcome the church.

Third, they mean well but they get swept up in the cares of this world.

The world makes its demands on you and the thorns choke out any spiritual fruit.

[[ Matthew 13:8 ]] But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.

4 - 'good ground' - the good heart The last type is the condition of the heart where the seed really takes root and bears fruit.

[[ Matthew 13:9 ]] Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

'ears' - hearing ears have the right heartitude. If the word of God falls on understanding ears, the problem is with the heart.

He who has ears to hear, let him hear is not a call for all to listen; (EVERYBODY has ears) but for those who have spiritual sensitivity to take special note.

[[ Matthew 13:10 ]] And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables?

[[ Matthew 13:11 ]] He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.

[[ Matthew 13:12 ]] For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath.

[[ Matthew 13:13 ]] Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.

[[ Matthew 13:14 ]] And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive:

[[ Matthew 13:15 ]] For this people's heart is waxed gross, and [their] ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with [their] eyes, and hear with [their] ears, and should understand with [their] heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

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| [[ Matthew 13:16 ]] But blessed [are] your eyes, for they see:<br>and your ears, for they hear. |
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[[ Matthew 13:17 ]] For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous [men] have desired to see [those things] which ye see, and have not seen [them]; and to hear [those things] which ye hear, and have not heard [them].

[[ Matthew 13:18 ]] Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower.

[[ Matthew 13:19 ]] When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth [it] not, then cometh the wicked [one], and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.

Job 28:28 And unto man he said, Behold, the fear of the Lord, that [is] wisdom; and to depart from evil [is] understanding.

John 3:19 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

[[ Matthew 13:20 ]] But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it;

'stony' - hard, a hard heart



[[ Matthew 13:21 ]] Yet hath he 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.

'root' - Christ is the root

John was in the island of Patos because of the word of God.

Revelation 1:9 I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

He wasn't offended. He accepted the responsibility of truth. Truth is never popular. If the church preaches truth, people eventually feel that their friends won't like it and they don't want to change their lives. Especially in the trib -

Matthew 24:10 And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.

If a guy keeps the truth in the trib it will cost him his head.

Truth separates you from this world. Most don't want to make the sacrifice. Truth makes you more separate from the world. The farther out on a limb you get. Some say that's too much to sacrifice.

God exposes the Christian when the real test comes.

[[ Matthew 13:22 ]] He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.

'also' - like this guy in stony places, received the word too (see verse 20)

'becometh' - as if he was unfruitful

'care of this world' - the thorns connected with the creation of this world, that's under a curse.

'deceitfulness of riches' - riches deceive you - no happiness or security

1Timothy 6:9 But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and [into] many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.

- you usually have to do crooked things to get rich

they will 'make you happy' - never do, it's a mirage. A man will have to do crooked things to get rich. If you do right to get it then praise the Lord.

2 things that will get a new Christian out of the bible -

- 1) the demands of everyday life - the cares of this world
  - 2) the thought that money will give you security
- 'becomes unfruitful' - you become unfruitful

[[ Matthew 13:23 ]] But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth [it]; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

'good ground' - good heart

Something in the heart - it is hungry for the truth

Proverbs 2:1 My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee;

Proverbs 2:2 So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, [and] apply thine heart to understanding;

resist evil - seek God

Proverbs 2:3 Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, [and] liftest up thy voice for understanding;

Proverbs 2:4 If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as [for] hid treasures;

Proverbs 2:5 Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.

Getting the truth takes diligent work. This is a society of convenience. Finding the knowledge of God is not easy. That's why most people don't get it today. Finding the knowledge of God is a hard business.

Matthew 7:14 Because strait [is] the gate, and narrow [is] the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

They won't look for it. They are on the easy way.

6 people in the passage. One who hears and understands? and one who is on stony ground. One who has the word choked among thorns, and three groups that receive it. 1 out of 3 receive the word and 1 out of 3 of them has a good yield. Wheat yields different yields based on its quality. A good yield is 100 grain on the wheat stalk. Low yield is 28-32. God likens fruit bearers to the wheat and its harvest.

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 [[ Matthew 13:24 ]] Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field:

This a KOH parable only.

The gospel must be understood before it can bear any fruit; one of Satan's chief works is to keep men in darkness regarding their understanding of the gospel (2 Corinthians 4:3-4).

Others receive the gospel enthusiastically, but it is short-lived, because they are not willing to endure tribulation or persecution . . . because of the word.

Others have fertile ground for the word - but their "soil" is too fertile, because it also grows all sorts of other things which choke out the word of God.

But others receive the word, and it bears fruit in their "soil" - though in differing proportions (though none are "small").



### Parables of corruption in the kingdom community

## The parable of the wheat and the tares

[[ Matthew 13:25 ]] But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.

'tares'- a rye grass that looks like wheat. Its a counterfeit wheat.

Tares -Zizania - seed in Palestine today that looks just like wheat while it is growing, but then while it matures it turns black (it shows its true color). Because if it gets mixed up in the wheat and you bake bread with it, it is poisonous and must be separated out.

The teaching is the devil can counterfeit the children of the kingdom. He can make some people look just like children of the kingdom. Bibles that change 'tares' to 'wheat' throw out this idea. You can tell the counterfeit from the real thing by their fruits. (Matthew 7)

After the rapture (mat 24, rev 17) the wheat is gathered out into the barn and the other? bound in boundles (mat 24) and cast into the fire (mat 25). (The judgement of the nations). Cant spiritually be applied to the church. You can tell a counterfiet by its fruits - see the sermon on the mount.

The enemy's purpose in sowing tares was to destroy the wheat; but the wise farmer will not allow the enemy to succeed; instead, He will sort it out at harvest time.

[[ Matthew 13:26 ]] But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.

[[ Matthew 13:27 ]] So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares?

[[ Matthew 13:28 ]] He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?

[[ Matthew 13:29 ]] But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them.

[[ Matthew 13:30 ]] Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

Not KOG, 37-41 says its the end of the age, strictly KOH and the trib and the millenium. Can't apply it to the church because then you'll have the church going through the trib. Interpretation in 37-40.

The sower is the Son of Man. The field is the world. The good seed are the children of the Kingdom, but the tares are the children of the wicked one. The enemy is the devil. The harvest is the end of the Age, and the reapers are the angels.

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The parable of the mustard seed

**[[ Matthew 13:31 ]] Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field:**

Another illustration of corruption in the kingdom community: the parable of the mustard seed. Some regard this as a beautiful picture of the church growing so large that it provides refuge for all the world; but this mustard seed plant has grown into a monstrosity, and it harbors birds - who, the in the parables, are emissaries of Satan.

Mustard seeds grow into bushes about 3 feet tall. Have you ever seen a bird lodge in a small bush? This mustard seed apparently grows to become a monstrosity, something larger than it is supposed to. It becomes a structure so large and spacious that birds come and lodge in the branches. Birds are the birds that picked up the seed in the first parable; the ministers of Satan!

**KOH and KOG (mar 4 and luk 13). The man here and in all the parables is Christ and the feild is the world. The mustard seed is defined as faith:**

**Matthew 17:20 And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.**

**Faith is a grain of mustard seed.**

**'sowed' - sowing faith, the least of all seeds. May be teaching that when the KOH comes there will be very little faith on this earth. (the 2nd coming)**

**[[ Matthew 13:32 ]] Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.**

**Its KOH. Its an AC kingdom, Nebuchenezzar's tree in Daniel 4. The birds are deamons, devils.**

**Revelation 18:2 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.**

**zec 5 also**

**Its not the church. A lodge is a bird's nest.**

**luk 13 - field -> his garden - so its a KOG parable. Here Christ sows the mustard seed in His garden, not the field. The garden could be the church.**

**SongofSolomon 6:11 I went down into the garden of nuts to see the fruits of the valley, [and] to see whether the vine flourished, [and] the pomegranates budded.**

**The kingdom is not a mustard seed. It is faith:**

Matthew 17:20 And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

In the trib there will be very little faith. Thats the mystery of the kingdom. It will look like at that time the kingdom is not going to come, it will be an AC kingdom. There will be a remnant of faith.

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[[ Matthew 13:33 ]] Another parable spake he unto them; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

Also KOG and KOH.

'leaven' - defined as false doctrine

Matthew 16:12 Then understood they how that he bade [them] not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

Doctrine of mixture - mix it with heresy - Rome has done it with the church fathers. That leaven is called scholarship.

Revelation 19:2 For true and righteous [are] his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.

In this age the apostate woman messes up the KOG, in the trib she messes up the KOH. The mustard seed the same thing. The AC system is a culmination of the Roman system. Can be applied in this age where Rome is the apostate church and the apostate kingdom in the trib. It can go both ways.

Another illustration of corruption in the kingdom community: the parable of the leaven in the meal. Some have regarded this parable as another beautiful picture of the kingdom of God working its way through the whole world.

But the three measures of meal was the exact amount customarily used in a meal offering to God, and leaven (which always is a picture of evil and sin in the Bible) has absolutely no place in a meal offering. The idea of hiding leaven in three measures of meal would have offended any observant Jew; this certainly isn't a picture of the church gradually influencing the whole world for good.

Leaven in Jewish terms is a symbol of sin.

Example, Passover ceremony to get the leaven out of the house. Leaven is sin because it corrupts by puffing up.

## I went to Baking College –

A leaven is anything that produces bubbles in dough or batter, causing baked goods to rise. Most breads rise because of yeast, which works by fermenting sugar, which in turn produces carbon dioxide. Baking soda and baking powder are used to leaven quick



bread, cookies, and muffins. Baking soda is alkaline and reacts with acid to create carbon dioxide bubbles that become trapped within the batter. It's sometimes used in batters that contain acidic ingredients, like buttermilk or molasses. If there's not enough acid in the batter, the recipe will instead call for baking powder, which combines baking soda with one or more acidic salts. When the baking powder becomes wet or sufficiently hot, the soda reacts with the salts and releases bubbles. Air bubbles can also be trapped in beaten egg whites, a technique used to leaven angel food or sponge cakes.

These parables are prophecies of the Church age!

What is the root of all sin? Pride. Whose pride? Satan's (Isaiah 14). Leaven is used as a type of sin throughout the Old Testament and the New (2 times Jesus says, and 2 times Paul says "a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.")

The Church will not be perfect, it will be impure. Leaven will be introduced and it will grow and contaminate.

**New section coming up**

[[ Matthew 13:34 ]] All these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spake he not unto them:

[[ Matthew 13:35 ]] That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world.

/\* unnamed prophet - David \*/

Psalms 78:1 <<Maschil of Asaph.>> Give ear, O my people, [to] my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

Psalms 78:2 I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old:

Psalms 78:3 Which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us.

OT parable of future (trib) events

Ephesians 3:5 Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

These secrets were revealed to Paul. The parables of the kingdom are impossible to understand until you understand the mystery of the church. Then you see that the mystery period is involved with the church period.

- Jesus' teaching in parables is a fulfillment of prophecy

- Another reason Jesus taught about the kingdom community - the church - in parables is because the church itself was part of the things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world, and would not be revealed in fullness until later.

Jesus only spoke to the multitudes in parables (from Chapter 12 on). These parables contain truths that are hidden from the Old Testament (otherwise they would not have been "kept hidden from the foundation of the world"). These things that the Lord is talking about in Mt 13 are first time occasions. Not found overtly in other Old Testament books. What has been kept secret? Most concepts are found in the Old Testament. Except one (Eph 3:5): that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs and of the

same body and partakers of His promise in Christ Jesus by the gospel. The Church, not just Gentiles, will be converted.

Paul expresses this same idea about the church in [Ephesians 3:4-11](#)

Ephesians 3:4 Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)

Ephesians 3:5 Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

Ephesians 3:6 That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:

Ephesians 3:7 Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.

Ephesians 3:8 Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;

Ephesians 3:9 And to make all [men] see what [is] the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

Ephesians 3:10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly [places] might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,

Ephesians 3:11 According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:

## Jesus EXPLAINS the parable of the wheat and the tares

[[ Matthew 13:36 ]] Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field.

No wheat!!

[[ Matthew 13:37 ]] He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man;

In rev 10 Christ reveals himself to the kingdom of Israel and preaches the gospel to them. He also is involved in sealing the 144,000. Compare eze 9, dan 10 and 12 (the man clothed in linen) and rev 1, the man clothed in linen and the wit the writers ink horn who is Christ coming down in the trib to seal the 144,000 and at that time He will sow the good seed of the KOH. The feild is the world. The 144,000 and Moses and Elijah.

[[ Matthew 13:38 ]] The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked [one];

John 8:44 Ye are of [your] father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it

The harvest is in the end of the world (age) Right now the order is under man and the satanic priciples.

The end of this age. Right now the world is under a satanic principle -

2Corinthians 4:4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

When this system is done away with in the trib, God will set up a new world at the second coming.

[[ Matthew 13:39 ]] The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.

Matthew 24:31 And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

also rev 14 - the angels reap the harvest and gather up the wheat at the end of the trib

[[ Matthew 13:40 ]] As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.  
- sounds like hell

Matthew 3:11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and [with] fire:

The Israel that is wheat will be baptized by the Holy Ghost, all in the Spirit, that's when Israel gets the national birth. Those that have not beleived the gospel of the kingdom and have taken the mark of the beast will be baptized with fire at the second coming.

Matthew 3:12 Whose fan [is] in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

this parable also deals with the trib.

The harvest is the end of the world, the reapers are angels.

At His first coming He preached the KOH and thats the way it will be at His second coming. He will preach the KOH to the 144,000 that He seals and to Moses and Elijah and all those who are converted under His ministry. He sows the good seed in the field the world).

tares - a rye grass that looks like wheat but is a counterfiet.

[[ Matthew 13:41 ]] The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;

[[ Matthew 13:42 ]] And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

[[ Matthew 13:43 ]] Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

## More parables about the kingdom

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### The parable of the hidden treasure

[[ Matthew 13:44 ]] Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field.

'buyeth' - he wasnt after the field but what he hid in the field. Everything he doesnt want in the field he gets rid of. Christ has purchased this earth and everything on it. In the earth is treasure and corruption. The things of no value He will get rid of.

'treasure' - Israel

The what is the treasure? You! - Jesus gave everything to redeem the whole world to preserve a treasure in it: His people.

The field is the world, but the man does not represent the believer (we have nothing to buy this treasure with); instead, Jesus is the man, the buyer.

Exodus 19:5 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth [is] mine:

This is a KOH parable. Spiritually it can be applied to the Christian but doctrinally its to Israel.  
the field - the world

the man - Christ

Matthew 13:37 He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man;

Matthew 13:38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked [one];

As in all the parables He is the householder, the sower.  
'selleth all' - gives His own life

2Corinthians 8:9 For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.

'He buys the field' - purchases the creation of the world

1John 2:2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for [the sins of] the whole world.

He bought the right of redemption. In this dispensation Israel is hidden in the field, dispersed. One of these days He will gather the true remnant, that the purpose of the trib.

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## The parable of the costly pearl

[[ Matthew 13:45 ]] Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls:

A KOH parable.

'merchant man' - Christ He purchased the world!

1Peter 1:18 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, [as] silver and gold, from your vain conversation [received] by tradition from your fathers;

[[ Matthew 13:46 ]] Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.

Jesus is the buyer and we are the pearl that He sees as so valuable that He would happily give all to have it forever.

Rough - A KOH parable that applies to the church. The kingdom is in a mystery form now, not revealed. Its gone back to heaven. The crown of the KOH is not on this earth, but in heaven. One day it returns with Christ at the 2nd coming, here. Its a mystery period.

A pearl is a living organism.

1Peter 2:5 Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

- Christian are said to be this - it may be the church, this is a mystery period.

Ephesians 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

- singular - 1 pearl

It's about Hidden Treasure -

The treasure is hidden in the field, or the world – we are described as His peculiar treasure.

Exodus 19:5 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth [is] mine:



Psalms 135:4 For the LORD hath chosen Jacob unto himself, [and] Israel for his peculiar treasure.

The One that gave up all that He had for the sake of the treasure is Jesus Christ! He wanted the treasure, He didn't buy just one little parcel He bought the whole field. He died on the cross for all sinners. Who did the buying? He did. What did it cost Him? His Blood. He purchased what? You and !! Who is the treasure hid in the field? You and !!

The Pearl of Great Price -

Sounds like the parable of the hidden treasure.

**Malachi 3:17 And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.**

, yet says jewels, not pearls.

Remember in the Torah the laws that were laid down, Deuteronomy 8 forbids oysters. Oysters are not kosher, one can only eat seafood with scales. This means that pearls were not prized by the Jewish community. While they might trade in them because they would sell them to the Gentiles, pearls are distinctly a Gentile ornament, not a Jewish ornament.

So why a pearl of great value used by Jesus in this parable? Because of all jewels, pearls are the only one that is made by a living organism as a response to irritation that has been introduced. What a fascinating model of the Church! A Gentile organ grows as the response to an irritation. The Church always grew under persecution. It is removed from its place of growth to become an item of adornment.

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## The parable of the dragnet

[[ Matthew 13:47 ]] Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind: The net is the call to the kingdom.

Matthew 24:14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

The net is thrown out over all the world. Some reject and they are rejected. Not defined anywhere. All hear the gospel, some reject.

John 12:32 And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all [men] unto me.

Everything is drawn in and then the good is separated from the bad.

Some reject and they are rejected. They are first drawn through the Holy Spirit.

We have the mystery of the body of Christ in Ephesians 3.

[[ Matthew 13:48 ]] Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away.

'vessel' - new body for good /\* prepare your vessel \*/

2Corinthians 4:7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

[[ Matthew 13:49 ]] So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just,

'just' - will get a new body, a new vessel that lives forever

Matthew 25:31 When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:

Matthew 25:32 And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth [his] sheep from the goats:

Matthew 25:33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.

Matthew 25:34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

Matthew 25:35 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:

Matthew 25:36 Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.

Matthew 25:37 Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed [thee]? or thirsty, and gave [thee] drink?

Matthew 25:38 When saw we thee a stranger, and took [thee] in? or naked, and clothed [thee]?

Matthew 25:39 Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?

Matthew 25:40 And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done [it] unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done [it] unto me.

Matthew 25:41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

Matthew 25:42 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink:

Matthew 25:43 I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not.

Matthew 25:44 Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee?

Matthew 25:45 Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did [it] not to one of the least of these, ye did [it] not to me.

Matthew 25:46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

- the judgement of the nations, where the wicked are separated from the just. The just are sent into the kingdom and evidentially given a new vessel. Israel gets a new vessel.

[[ Matthew 13:50 ]] And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Jesus is showing is that the world will remain divided right up until the end, and the Church will not reform the world, ushering in the kingdom; instead, there will be both the wicked and the just till the end of the age.

## The disciples claim understanding of Jesus' parables

[[ Matthew 13:51 ]] Jesus saith unto them, Have ye understood all these things? They say unto him, Yea, Lord.

[[ Matthew 13:52 ]] Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe [which is] instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man [that is] an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure [things] new and old.

### A householder is a steward -

Luke 16:1 And he said also unto his disciples, There was a certain rich man, which had a steward; and the same was accused unto him that he had wasted his goods.

Luke 16:2 And he called him, and said unto him, How is it that I hear this of thee? give an account of thy stewardship; for thou mayest be no longer steward.

Luke 16:3 Then the steward said within himself, What shall I do? for my lord taketh away from me the stewardship: I cannot dig; to beg I am ashamed.

Luke 16:4 I am resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship they may receive me into their houses.

Luke 16:5 So he called every one of his lord's debtors [unto him], and said unto the first, How much owest thou unto my lord?

Luke 16:6 And he said, An hundred measures of oil. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and sit down quickly, and write fifty.

Luke 16:7 Then said he to another, And how much owest thou? And he said, An hundred measures of wheat. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and write fourscore.

Luke 16:8 And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light.

Luke 16:9 And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that, when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations.

Luke 16:10 He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much.

Luke 16:11 If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, how will ye commit to your trust the true [riches]?

Luke 16:12 And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, how shall ye give you that which is your own?

### Moses was a good steward over his house -

Hebrews 3:3 For this [man] was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house.

Hebrews 3:4 For every house is builded by some [man]; but he that built all things [is] God.

Hebrews 3:5 And Moses verily [was] faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after;

A good treasurer is defined -

Matthew 12:35 A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.

- out of a good heart comes good treasure  
new and old - the OT and the NT

[[ Matthew 13:53 ]] And it came to pass, [that] when Jesus had finished these parables, he departed thence.

[[ Matthew 13:54 ]] And when he was come into his own country, he taught them in their synagogue, insomuch that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this [man] this wisdom, and [these] mighty works?

'country' - Nazareth

'works' - what school did He go to? - They thought He was just a wise teacher?

[[ Matthew 13:55 ]] Is not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas?

Jesus had brothers (and sisters) - not Jewish brothers like the Catholic Church says.

John 2:12 After this he went down to Capernaum, he, and his mother, and his brethren, and his disciples: and they continued there not many days.

Galatians 1:19 But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother.

[[ Matthew 13:56 ]] And his sisters, are they not all with us? Whence then hath this [man] all these things?

James 3:17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, [and] easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

That was Christ.

Jesus plainly had many brothers and sisters; the Roman Catholic idea of the perpetual virginity of Mary is in contradiction to the plain meaning of the Bible.

### A prophet without honor

[[ Matthew 13:57 ]] And they were offended in him. But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, save in his own country, and in his own house.

'offended' - they spent all their time with the idols of education and He didn't have any. He has destroyed their system.

Mark 6:4 But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, but in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house.

John 4:44 For Jesus himself testified, that a prophet hath no honour in his own country.

Don't expect honor from your home town and your relations. He didn't get it.

[[ Matthew 13:58 ]] And he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

Healing is not a mighty work -

Mark 6:5 And he could there do no mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk, and healed [them].

He would not by choice. The more people believe, the more God reveals Himself and the opposite is also true. A Christian has seen much revelation and the atheist has seen little or none. 'because of their unbelief' - some faith is necessary from the people