



A Proper Understanding

MT. 13:3-9, 18-23

"As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

(Matthew 13:23, ESV)

Review the Sermon

Read Matthew 13:3-9, 18-23.

What does it mean to truly understand God's Word?

What is the significance of the seed in good soil producing different quantities of fruit?

Name some of the obstacles (described by Jesus) that keep us from truly understanding the implications of the gospel.

Assess your Life

Which of these obstacles to understanding truth are you most vulnerable to?

Can you recognize people in your life who represent each type of soil?

Can you identify fruit that has been produced in your life (character, effectiveness, disciples)?



Apply the Truth

For parents: how can you intentionally lead your children and provide “good soil” in the home that encourages a spiritual harvest in their lives?

If fruit is scarce in your life, what obstacles must you remove to hear, understand, and obey God’s Word?

How do we deal with the “cares of the world” and “deceitfulness of riches” so that the Word is not crowded out?

Commit this week to...

Deepen your understanding of God’s Word in a transformative way and respond with total surrender and obedience.

“He who has ears, let him hear.” (Matthew 13:9, ESV)