

Matthew 13

13:1-58 – Matthew presents a collection of Jesus's parables.

The purpose of Jesus's parables is to present spiritual truths to those who believe and to hide truth from unbelievers.

All the parables examine the condition of the heart.

13:3-23 – The parable of the sown seed.

Jesus answers the disciples as to why He teaches by parables:
parables expose the heart (10-17)

Jesus explains the parable of the sown seed: it's all based on
people's response to His Word (18-23)

13:24-52 – Six more parables about the kingdom of heaven.

24-30 (34-43): The kingdom of heaven will always be attacked.

31-32: The kingdom of heaven will always grow.

33-43: The kingdom of heaven creates spiritual growth.

44: The kingdom of heaven is worth everything.

45-46: The kingdom of heaven is of supreme value.

47-52: The kingdom of heaven separates & divides.

13:53-58 – The consequences of unbelief.