

unclean spirit, when he is gone out of the man, passeth through waterless places, seeking rest, and findeth it not. 12:44 Then he saith, I will return into my house whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished. 12:45 Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more evil than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man becometh worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this evil generation. 12:46 While he was yet speaking to the multitudes, behold, his mother and his brethren stood without, seeking to speak to him. 12:47 And one said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without, seeking to speak to thee. 12:48 But he answered and said unto him that told him, Who is my mother? and who are my brethren? 12:49 And he stretched forth his hand towards his disciples, and said, Behold, my mother and my brethren! 12:50 For whosoever shall do the will of my Father who is in heaven, he is my brother, and sister, and mother.

(C33 Jesus taught the Cross, Pg 1216)

### Matthew 13

13:1 On that day went Jesus out of the house, and sat by the sea side. 13:2 And there were gathered unto him great multitudes, so that he entered into a boat, and sat; and all the multitude stood on the beach. 13:3 And he spake to them many things in parables, saying, Behold, the sower went forth to sow; 13:4 and as he sowed, some [seeds] fell by the way side, and the birds came and devoured them: 13:5 and others fell upon the rocky places, where they had not much earth: and straightway they sprang up, because they had no deepness of earth: 13:6 and when the sun was risen, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away. 13:7 And others fell upon the thorns; and the thorns grew up and choked them: 13:8 and others fell upon the good ground, and yielded fruit, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. 13:9 He that hath ears, let him hear.

### C34 Why Speak Parables? Pg 1217)

13:10 And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables? 13:11 And he answered and said unto them, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given. 13:12 For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that what he hath. 13:13 Therefore speak I to them in parables; because when seeing they see not, and when hearing they hear not, neither do they understand. 13:14 And unto them is fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall in no wise understand; And seeing ye shall see, and shall in no wise perceive: 13:15 For this people's heart is waxed gross, And their ears are dull of hearing, And their eyes they have closed; Lest haply they should perceive with their eyes, And hear with their ears, And understand with their heart, And should turn again, And I should heal them. 13:16 But blessed are your eyes, for they see; and your ears, for they hear. 13:17 For verily I say unto you, that many prophets and righteous men desired to see the things which ye see, and saw them not; and to hear the things which ye hear, and heard them not. 13:18 Hear then ye the parable of the sower. 13:19 When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, [then] cometh the evil [one], and snatcheth away that which hath been sown in his heart. This is he that was sown by the way side. 13:20 And he that was sown upon the rocky places, this is he that heareth the word, and straightway with joy receiveth it; 13:21 yet hath he not root in himself, but endureth for a while; and when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, straightway he stumbleth. 13:22 And he that was sown among the thorns, this is he that heareth the word; and the care of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.