

# The Life of Christ A-Z

Matthew 13:1-52 Letter "P" = Parables Prophecy Key Dynamics of The Kingdom of God on Earth Until Christ Returns (Which is Exactly Where All of Us Live)

## ANGELS ANNOUNCE (The Pregnancy)

Luke 1:26-38/Matthew 1:18-25

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Luke 2:1-7

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Matthew 2:23/Mark 6:3

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John 1:35-51

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Matthew 12:14-45/Mark 3:22-30

## PARABLES PROPHECY (InterAdvent Period)

Matthew 13:1-52

## QUIZICAL QUESTIONS (Who Am I?)

Matthew 16:13-20

## REALITY REVEALED (The Transfiguration)

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## VISION OF VICTORY (Olivet Discourse)

Matthew 24:1-25:46

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John 13:1-17:26

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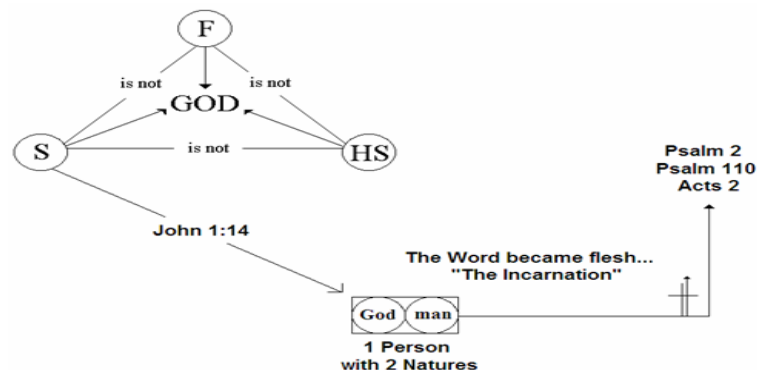
Matthew 27:27-66/John 19:17-42

## YES! YEAH! (The Resurrection)

Matthew 28:1-15/John 20:1-21:25

## ZAPPED from ZION (The Ascension)

Luke 24:50-53/Acts 1:6-11



In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God.....the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. John 1:1 and 1:14

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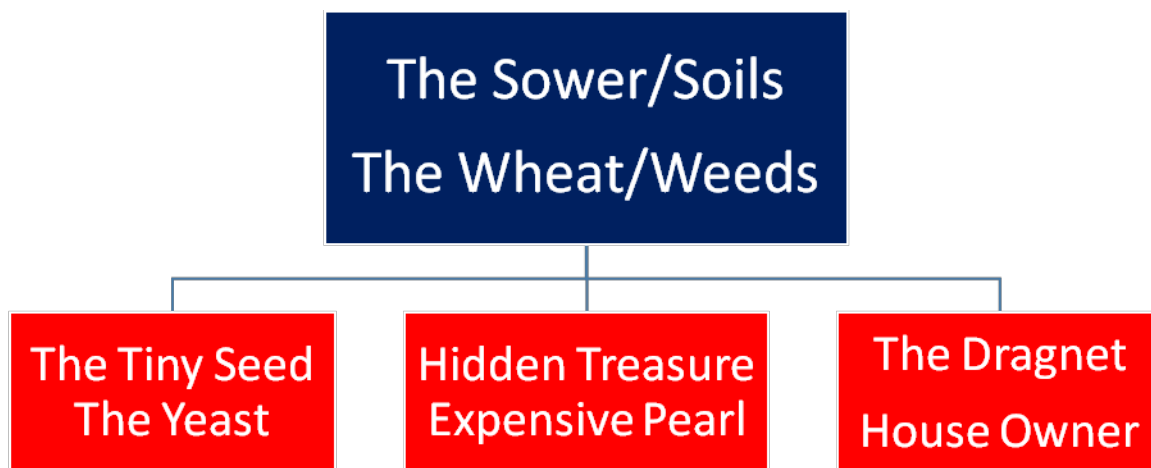
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## **Matthew 13:1-52 The Big Eight Parables Teach/Describe**

Key Spiritual Dynamics of The Kingdom of God on Earth (TKOGOE) Until Jesus Returns  
IOWs: The Spiritual Program of God on the Earth During the Inter-Advent Period

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## **Take This To Heart**

- 1: Spiritual Fitness Like Physical Fitness Isn't Easy to Get or to Maintain But It is Easy to Lose-It's a Lifestyle Not Something Quick & Easy You Do 1-2/Week
- 2: Spiritual Fitness Demands Realistic/Biblical Expectations about God, Ourselves, People and the World in Which We Live...Our Lord's Teaching in Matthew 13 Is Foundational to You and I Having a Realistic Biblical Perspective Toward Life

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**Bole = to fling/to throw**

**Para = alongside //**



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# A "Unique" Kind of Abstract Thought

## Warmer Upper

1: My "Unique" Introduction to "N"  
Matthew 8:1-4 The LORD/the Leper

2: My "Unique" Interaction with the  
New TBF Directory

# Welcome to "Your" World

## The Eight Parables of Matthew 13

- 1: The Parable of the Sower/Soils
- 2: The Parable of the Wheat and the Weeds
- 3: The Parable of the Tiny Seed
- 4: The Parable of the Leaven
- 5: The Parable the Hidden Treasure
- 6: The Parable of the Pearl of Great Price
- 7: The Parable of the Giant Net
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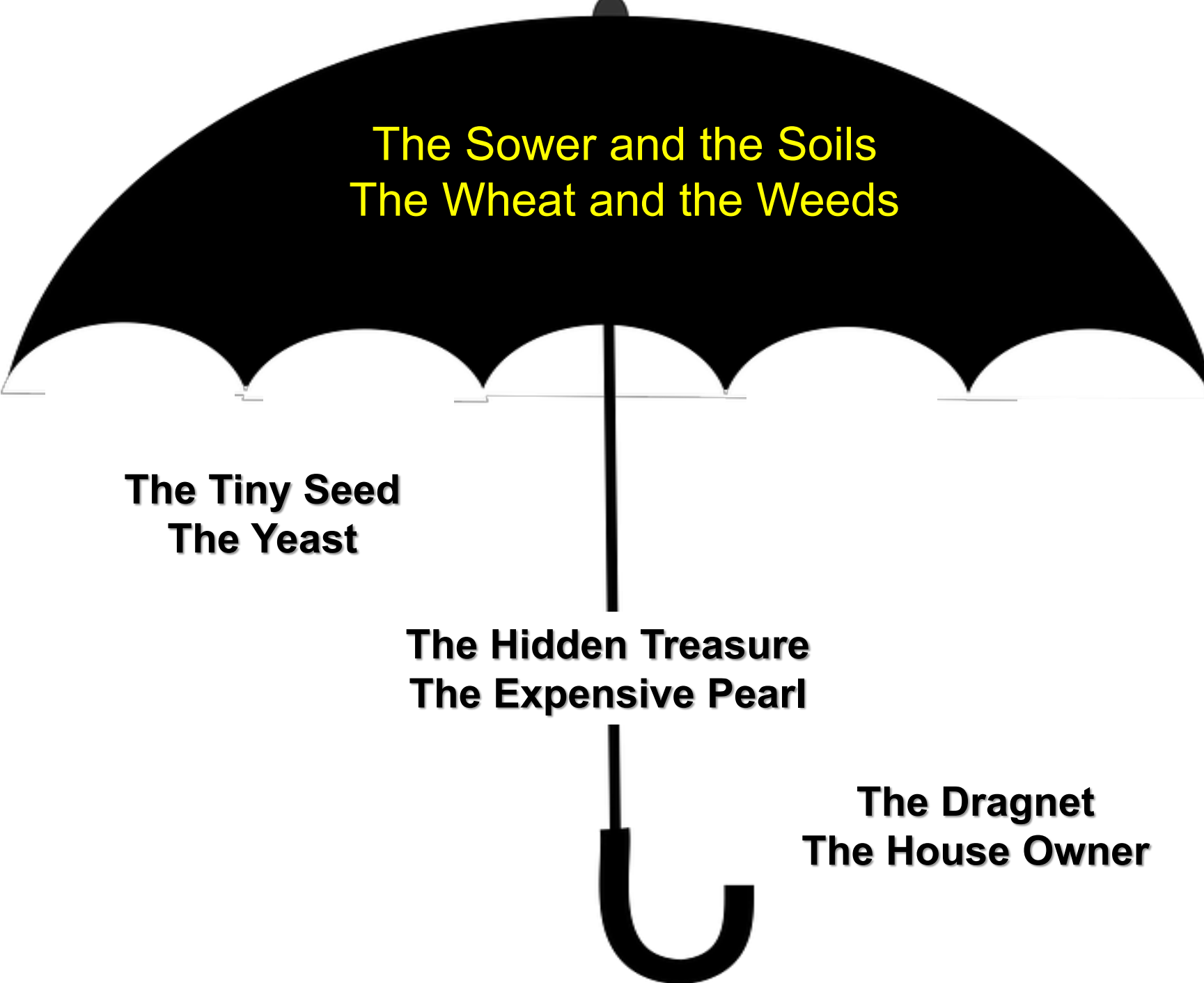
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# 3 E-Views of TPOTSower/Soils

Evangelical View 1: Only Soil #4

KEY: Mature Fruit

Evangelical View 2: Only Soils #3-4

KEY: Fruit

Evangelical View 3: Only Soils #2-4

KEY: Germination of the Seed/Followed by Growth

## **THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER**

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### **Introduction**

In the Parable of the Sower, the Lord Jesus tells a story about a man who scatters seed on four different kinds of soil (Matthew 13:1–20; Mark 4:3–20; Luke 8:4–15).<sup>1</sup> The Lord explains that the seed represents the Word of God (Luke 8:11) and the four soils represent different responses to the Word (Matthew 13:19).

Ironically, while this parable is widely known, its meaning often remains unknown. A large number of expositors misinterpret it, by insisting that only the fourth (and final) soil represents the response of born again believers. However, a closer look at the text reveals that only the first soil refers to unregenerate hearts. Furthermore, when this parable is properly understood, the second and third soils admonish believers, warning them against very real pitfalls that thwart consistent spiritual growth and fruit-bearing.

<sup>3</sup> **sn** Though parables can contain a variety of figures of speech (cf. 2:19-22; 3:23-25; 4:3-9, 26-32; 7:15-17; 13:28), many times they are simply stories that attempt to teach spiritual truth (which is unknown to the hearers) by using a comparison with something known to the hearers. In general, parables usually advance a single idea, though there may be many parts and characters in a single parable and subordinate ideas may expand the main idea further. The beauty of using the parable as a teaching device is that it draws the listener into the story, elicits an evaluation, and demands a response.

<sup>4</sup> **sn** A sower went out to sow. The background for this well-known parable, drawn from a typical scene in the Palestinian countryside, is a field through which a well worn path runs. Sowing would occur in late fall or early winter (October to December) in the rainy season, looking for sprouting in April or May and a June harvest. The use of seed as a figure for God's giving life has OT roots (Isa 55:10-11). The point of the parable of the sower is to illustrate the various responses to the message of the kingdom of God (cf. 4:11).

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# The Bible

## A SYNTHETIC OVERVIEW



### **ONE MAJOR PREMISE:**

All Humans are Sinners/Die...

### **ONE MAJOR PROMISE:**

...the Savior is Coming!

### **ONE MAJOR PREMISE:**

Jesus of Nazareth is the Savior/Alive...

### **ONE MAJOR PROMISE:**

...the Savior is Coming Back!

# Take This To Heart

1: Spiritual Fitness // Physical Fitness

Not "Easy" To Get or "Easy" To Maintain  
= a Lifestyle NOT a Hobby

2: Spiritual Fitness Demands a Realistic POV

About God, Ourselves, People, the World

Matthew 13 is Foundational to That

Κυριος  
Lord

Title

Ιησους  
Jesus

Name

Χριστος  
Christ

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יהוה

meaning  
"God"

Title: God

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יהושע

meaning  
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Lord Jesus Christ = God-Man-Savior