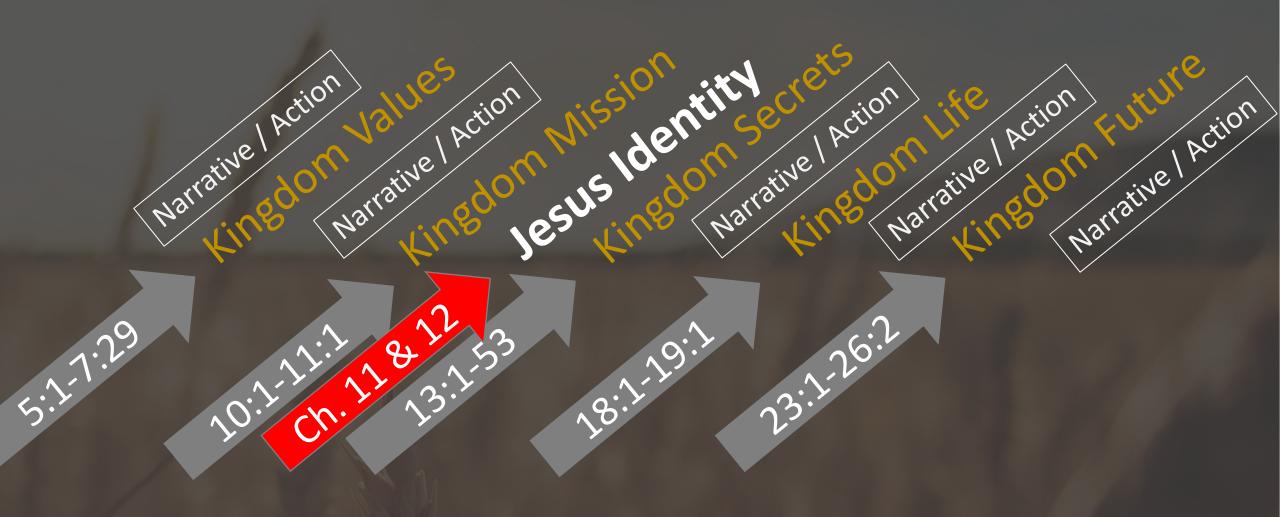


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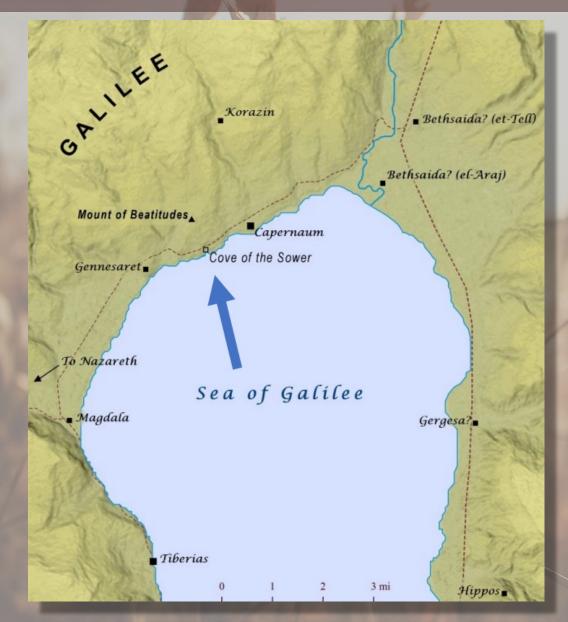


## The Parable of the Sower: The Setting

#### **Matthew 13:1-2**

- 1 That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea.
- 2 And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach.

# The Parable of the Sower: The Setting





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- 4 And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them.
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- but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away.
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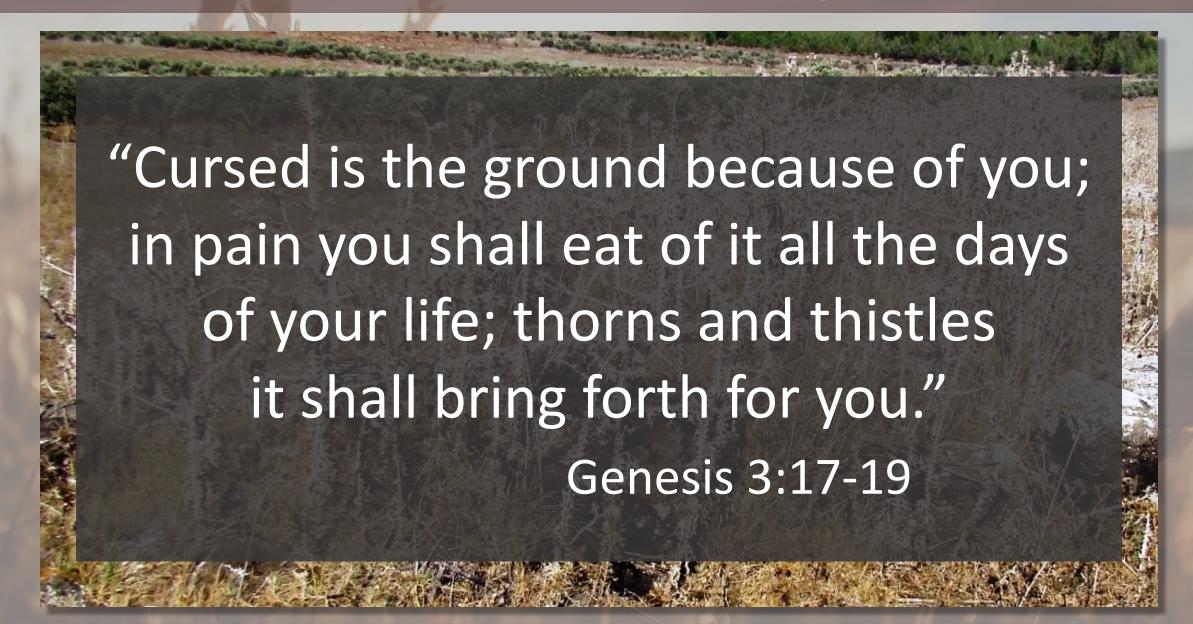


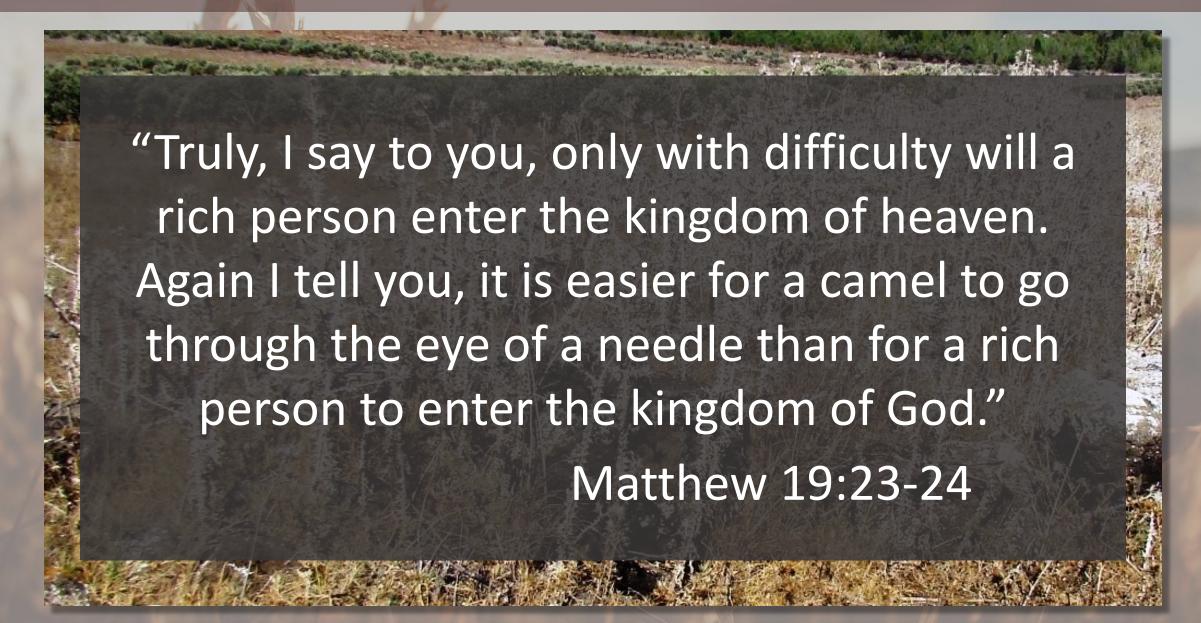
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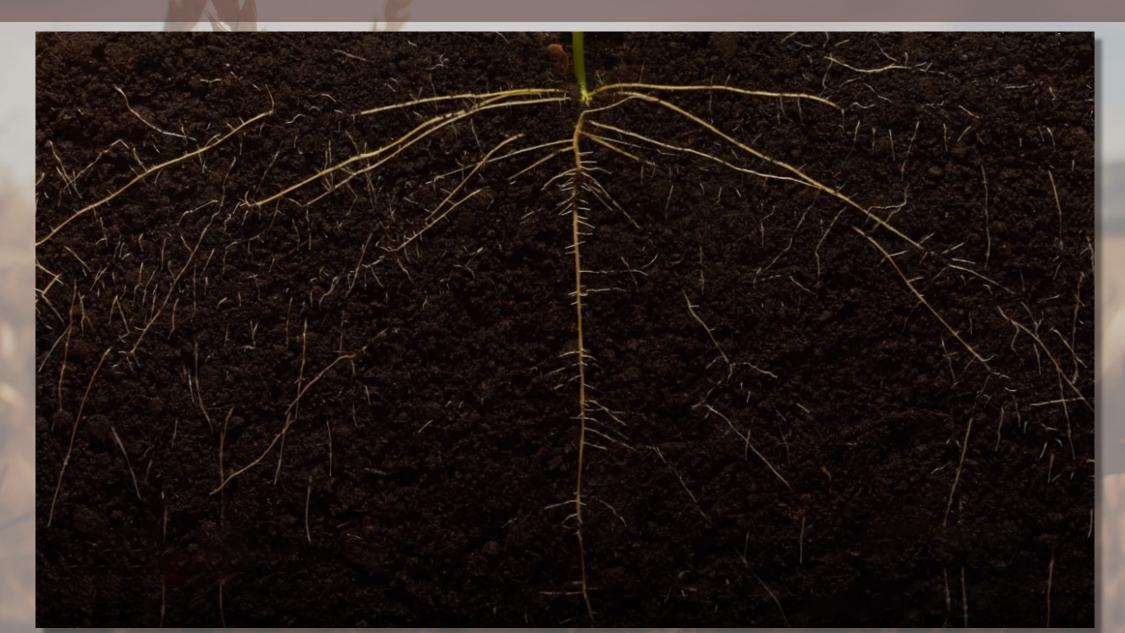
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Therefore do not be foolish, but <u>understand</u> what the will of the Lord is.

Ephesians 5:17



"The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one ..." John 17:22-23

"...that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me."

John 17:23b

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

Matthew 5:14-16

# The Parable of the Sower: Implications



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"Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or make the tree bad and its fruit bad, for the tree is known by its fruit ... For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks."

Matthew 12:33-34

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