If You Were Soil, What Kind Would You Be? Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

The parable of the ______ has _____ purposes. Jesus is ______ the secrets of the kingdom to His disciples. Matthew 13:11

> Jesus is ______ the secrets of the kingdom from those who will not believe. Matthew 13:11, 13

The ______ and the ______ are both doing their part. The sower faithfully ______ the _____ seed of the kingdom as seen in the next parable. Matthew 13:24

The ______ to produce fruit is not the fault of the ______: birds, rocky soil and thorns choke out and destroy the seed.

Every interaction with the seed (the Word of the kingdom) produces a ______ on the part of the ______. The ______ and ______ hearer represents the religious hypocrites of Jesus' day. Matthew 13:19

> and hearers are perfect prey for the devil who hates the Word of the kingdom. James 1:22-24

An ______ of the Word of the kingdom never lasts: this represents most of those who followed Jesus.

Matthew 13:20–21

The weedy soil represents those who love _____ and _____ more than the message of God's kingdom. Matthew 13:22; Mark 4:18–19; 1 Timothy 6:9 The good soil represents those who have ears to _____ and _____ the Word of the kingdom. Matthew 13:9, 23 None of the soils had any ______ to change their state: they were what was in their nature. Every human being will respond to the Word of the kingdom, revealing their _______. Matthew 13:10-15 Only God in His _____ can change the hardened heart, opening blind eyes and deaf ears. Ezekiel 11:19; 36:26 Only those who ______, _____ and bear fruit prove to be part of the kingdom. Matthew 13:23 Fruit, is the ______ of that which was in the heart: the Word of the kingdom. The Word of the kingdom is that which comes from the _____; the _____. John 15:8–10 Any soil (_____) that does not bear fruit in keeping with the seed sown (the Word of the kingdom) will be _____. Matthew 3:8, 10