

The Enemy Satan and his Sons, part 7

I. Jesus used parables to obscure His meaning.

1. The seven parables in Matthew 13 are all prophetic from Jesus' point of time.
2. The Kingdom from the Heavens is distinct from the Kingdom of God (Mt. 19:23-24).
 - 1) The Kingdom from the Heavens in the larger area of profession—Christianity.
 - 2) The Kingdom of God is the area of possession—saved.
3. The meaning of the seven mystery parables were only for those close to Jesus (Mt. 13:11-13).

II. The parable of the tares (Mt. 13:24-30; 36-43).

Verse	Description	Identity
24	Man sowed <i>seed</i>	Christ v. 37
	Good seed	Sons of the Kingdom <i>of the Heavens</i> , v. 38
	His field	The world, v. 38
25	Men slept	Christians (Eph. 5:14)
	The enemy	Satan v. 39
	Sows between the wheat	Tares
	Tares, darnel, false wheat	Unsaved v. 40
26	Wheat and tares grow together	Indistinguishable
	Wheat grows grain	Tares have no grain
27	The servants	Angels v. 39
	“Why not pull weeds?”	
28	“Let alone till the harvest”	End of the age v. 40

III. Satan's sons.

1. “Child” and “son” have different connotations.
 - 1) Child—family relationship (1 Jn. 3:10).
 - 2) Son—position of privilege (Gal. 3:26, 29; 4:1).

2. Sons of the disobedience (Eph. 2:2).
 - 1) Dead spiritually.
 - 2) Energized by Satan.
 - 3) “The disobedience”—inherit Satan’s ability to change “the truth” into “the lie” (Rom. 1:25).
 - i. The truth—there is none like Him (Ps. 86:8, et al).
 - ii. The lie—you can put, in your thinking, anything or anyone alongside God.
3. Satan’s sons can affect Christians (Eph. 5:6-8).
 - 1) Can cheat Christians’ spiritual life.
 - 2) They use empty discourse to manipulate Christians so they walk in darkness.
4. Satan’s sons perpetrate the scam that the flesh does not need to be curbed, appeal to emotions (Col. 3:5-6).