

Unveiling of God no 147

The Seed, the Rain and the Fertilized Heart

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Matthew 13:1 *The same day went Jesus out of the house, and sat by the sea side. 2 And great multitudes were gathered together unto him, so that he went into a ship, and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore. 3 And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow; 4 And when he sowed, **some seeds fell by the way side**, and the fowls came and devoured them up: 5 Some fell upon **stony places**, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth: 6 And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away. 7 And some fell **among thorns**; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them: 8 But other fell into **good ground**, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold. 9 Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.*

Let us bow our heads in prayer.

Dear precious Father we have read a parable that your first born son Jesus told us, and we ask that you help us to have the same Mind and the same Spirit that we might understand what this parable means. Be with us as we open thy Word this morning and open our hearts to a true understanding of this parable for we ask it in Jesus Christ's name, amen.

This morning we are going to pick up at paragraph **130** of brother Branham's sermon **The Unveiling of God** and begin our reading. Now, while we read we are going to hear brother Branham tells us concerning this parable what it means to be planted in good soil. Because it was only those planted in good soil that ended up producing the proper fruit. And so we want to know what the good soil is, and how we get it, that the seed of God which is His Word will produce in us the fruit it is intended to produce.

We will be examining the things brother Branham is telling us here in detail so as to understand what he is teaching us concerning **the Unveiling of God**,

Brother Branham says in **pp. 130** *You can take wheat and plant it in a different kind of a soil; it'll never grow. But what? **It's got to have certain fertilize in the ground to raise wheat.***

And that is with anything you grow except perhaps weeds. And even weeds won't grow in a desert with no moisture. So you can't just sow the Word anywhere and expect to reap a crop. It must be sowed in ground that has been prepared properly. And that is so true with the mission fields.

I never go to an area and bring the doctrine and expect God to make sons of God. I send the books and tapes into areas and when a few ministers in that area respond positively, then we begin the preparations. We make fliers, and booklets and we begin to sow the doctrine in that area. Then I come and water it with a solid week of watering, for God said in **Deuteronomy 32** ***"My Doctrine shall fall as the rain."*** So I do not take any credit for the sons of God receiving the teaching, it is the brothers in these countries that do all the

leg work. I just come to where they have planted and I begin to water by laying out the doctrine which is the rain of God, in such a way that the brethren take in the watering and by the time I leave they are either watered enough to begin growing up into Sons of God or they will drown in the watering. But it all depends on the soil in which they have been planted.

Now, we in the United States had a man recently running for President in the DNC party and this man is a multi billionaire. Now he may be smart in the field he has his business but he is not a very smart person in other fields. And while on the campaign trail he showed his ignorance when telling an audience that he could teach anyone to farm. He said “*all you have to do to be a farmer is dig a hole, drop in the seed and water it and you are a farmer.*” Now don’t try that because that is pure nonsense, and you will just precious waste seed.

But that is the way the nominal church goer thinks concerning becoming a Christian. They believe that anyone can be a Christian. They think you are a Christian when you confess that you are a Christian. But your confession has nothing to do with being a Christian. Just because this nation claims to be 70% Christian does not mean that this nation is a Christian nation.

Just because you say it doesn’t make it so. Anyone can say things, but it takes vindication to prove whether it is or not. And you cannot vindicate anything, it is God who vindicates whether you are a Christian or not. God will vindicate whether you are a son of God or not.

The Apostle Paul said in **Romans 8:16** *The Spirit* (And there is only one THE SPIRIT and that is God’s very own Spirit. And Paul said,) *The Spirit Itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:*

Notice The Spirit is capitalized showing it speaks of Gods Spirit but our spirit is not capitalized showing it speaks of your spirit or life. So He is saying God will vindicate your spirit, your life that you are a son of God or not. So only God vindicates. You can not vindicate yourself. That is why works will never work to prove anything. God has to do the proving of the life.

So just saying you are doesn’t make it so. That is no different than just planting a seed and you become a farmer.

Farming is a science. We have bachelor degrees in agronomy, and Masters degrees and even Doctorates in that field. But you don’t have to have a degree to become a farmer. But you do have to have *the mind of a farmer* to become a farmer, and that means understanding crops, and what it takes to make them grow best.

And that is what brother Branham is telling us in paragraph **130** when he says, “**130** *You can take wheat and plant it in a different kind of a soil; it’ll never grow. But what? It’s got to have certain fertilize in the ground to raise wheat.*”

And when he speaks of “*wheat*” he is referring to being a True Christian vs a weed as we read in the parable of Christ in **Matthew 13** for our text.

So, if you think that quoting **John 3:16** like the Baptists teach will make you a Christian you are in for a surprise.

I have new for you, it doesn't work that way. You cannot become a Christian just by saying you are a Christian. To Be Christian is not making a confession and *whalla* you are a Christian. You are a Christian when you are **Christ-Like**.

That is what our prophet said, and that is even what the English dictionary definition says, *a Christian is a person who exemplifies in his or her life the teachings of Christ:*

William Branham said in his sermon **Jesus Christ the same 56-0426 P:34** *"if a man professes to be a Christian, has got to live that same Christ-like life... If the Spirit of Christ is in you it'll certainly **do the same works that Christ did.**"*

Therefore if you are a Christian it is because the same life is in you that was in Him, and your life is the same as His life, for it is the same Life, and therefore you will do the works that he did. And if you do not believe that you do not believe a vindicated prophet of God.

QA Image of the beast 54-0515 P:32 *I say, "Are you a Christian?" "I'll give you to understand; I belong to the Baptist church." Yeah. That has no more to do with it than to say that you belonged out here to a farm somewhere. "Well, I belong to the Catholic church." That still don't make you a Christian. Belonging to the Baptist or Methodist church don't make you a Christian. **There's only one way to be a Christian.** The word "**Christian**" means "**Christ-like.**" And **you can't do it; you can't work it in yourself;** there's no way at all you can do it. **You have to forget yourself, die out to yourself, and let Christ come in and live the Life of Christ in you.***

And when he comes in then the works will be there, and if the works are not there you have to ask yourself if the life is there? And if you are not honest to ask that question you are not honest enough to be saved from yourself.

True sign that's overlooked 61-1112 P:64 *One said, "Are you a Christian?" "I'm a Baptist." Well, that's no more than saying he's a pig. Say, "I'm a Methodist." Well, that's no more than a pig again to God. I say, "Are you a Christian?" **To be a Christian you must be Christ-like, tabernacling deity in you, with the Holy Ghost like fell on the day of Pentecost.** Not some emotion, but I mean a real Pentecost. See?*

And you cannot become Christ Like without having the mind of Christ. Then you will think like Christ and speak like Christ and do the works that Christ did.

Now, in getting back to what brother Branham was saying concerning sowing seed in the proper ground, he said it must have the right fertilizer first in order to grow.

He said, **pp. 130** *You can take wheat and plant it in **a different kind of a soil; it'll never grow.** But what? **It's got to have certain fertilize in the ground to raise wheat.***

And according to an article by Dr. W.M. Stewart, Director of the Southern and Central Great Plains, **International Plant Nutrition Institute (IPNI)** which I found at www.CropNutrition.com he said, *"Wheat requires **Nitrogen** (2 to 2.5) pounds of **nitrogen (N)** per bushel (bu) of **grain.** Shortages of **nitrogen** may cause **reduced tillering, (tillering***

is when the plant shoots out from the bottom of the stem, so to get the proper stem growth you have to have plenty of Nitrogen in the soil.)

He also said “a lack of nitrogen will cause a **reduction in head size, poor grain fill and low protein content.**”

(**Grain filling** is the period between anthesis (*the period or act of expansion in flowers, especially the maturing of the stamens.*) and *maturity*; during that time, the accumulation of dry matter and its partitioning into grain was determined. Grain weight is a result of the grain filling process, which is defined by two parameters: grain filling duration and rate.)

So the right fertilizer in the soil determines the maturity rate of the wheat plant and the rate of growth. If you say you believe the prophet but have no watering of the rain or doctrine of God you will not grow properly into a son of daughter of God and you will not come into maturity with is harvest ready of adoption ready condition.

Then he continues, “Adequate **nitrogen** must be available to the wheat plant at all phases of development. Splitting **nitrogen** applications generally improves use efficiency, minimizes risk to investment and safeguards the environment. Growers should make their top-dress applications early, prior to **jointing**, to maximize production efficiency. Timing, placement and **nitrogen** source should be managed to fit climatic conditions, soil type and tillage system.

(The **jointing** stage is that point at which the internodal tissue in the grass leaf begins to elongate, **forming a stem.** ... After the **jointing** stage, the stem forms branches and continues to elongate. The chlorophyll, protein, and vitamin contents of the **plant** decline sharply as the level of cellulose increases.)



So we see at each stage there has to be nitrogen for the plant to grow to maturity.

But nitrogen is not the only mineral element that is needed to produce Wheat.

Phosphorus is also needed in wheat production

Dr. W.M. Stewart continues, “Fertilizer and crop prices are at much higher levels than in recent years. Adequate **phosphorus (P)** with fertility is associated increased tillering and grain head numbers, reduced winter-killing, **maximum water-use efficiency, hastened maturity, and lower grain moisture at harvest.** Winter wheat requires about 0.6 to 0.7 pounds of phosphorus pentoxide (P_2O_5) per bushel grain. Because P is relatively immobile in soils, banded or starter applications are often most effective in soils testing low to medium. Even in high-testing soils, starter applications help plants establish more quickly. Banded P also helps young plants overcome the adverse effects of soil acidity. Broadcast P should be incorporated to improve positional availability. Finally, remember that adequate P increases N recovery and use efficiency. The effect of balanced fertility and its impact on nutrient use efficiency is especially important in today’s environment.

So Phosphorus helps in the **tillering** which we have already explained as the beginning of the growth, And then he says, Phosphorus also helps to control not only the water use

efficiency, but the speed by which the grain matures, and its ability to lay in the resence of the sun to ripen.

And the **Dr. Stewart** continues by telling us that another mineral element that is needed is **Potassium in wheat production.**

He says, “**Potassium (K)** in wheat production is associated with **increased moisture and N use efficiency, and decreased incidence of disease and lodging.** The requirement for (K) is approximately equal to that of N. Placement of K is not as critical as P since it’s more mobile in soils. Split applications should be made on deep sandy soils in high-rainfall areas to increase use efficiency.



Don’t overlook the importance of secondary and micronutrients on wheat. For example, sulfur deficiency creates problems in some areas. Base your applications of these nutrients on field history, soil tests and plant analysis. Profitable and efficient wheat production involves supplying adequate amounts of plant nutrients when and where the crop needs them. Fertilizer application rates are of little value if nutrients aren’t in the proper place at the proper time. Effective fertility management strategies vary from region to region, but a characteristic of all good soil fertility management programs is early planning.

So we see Potassium is needful for water control and efficiency of its use in the plant, and a controlling disease and lodging which is when the roots are mis-located from their proper position thus causing the plant to not stand upright, but to lean in a wrong direction.

Sound Spiritual doesn’t it. See how the natural types the spiritual?

So you see how these **three** mineral elements are critical to the life, growth and maturity of the wheat?

Well, brother Branham continues by saying, “*And if there is no, if the fertilize in the ground isn’t, **the wheat isn’t germitized to that fertilize, it’ll never grow.***”

And then after speaking of this in the natural, brother Branham turns a corner and brings it into the Spiritual application.

“*So no matter where **the Word falls,***”

And remember Jesus told us in **Luke 8:11** “***the Seed is the Word of God***”

Now, I believe that God working in His Prophet to will and to do, is that Son of Man that went forth sowing His Word in this Hour. It was not the man William Branham and his message, it was God who came down in a Shout, with a Message.

Brother Branham made that very clear in his sermon **Anointed ones at end time 65-0725M P:193** ***Now, I want you to know this is sure. And you that listen to this tape, you (Tape listeners) might have thought today that I was trying to say that about myself, being***

that I was packing this Message. **I have no more to do with it than nothing**, no more than just a voice. And **my voice, even against my better judgment**... I wanted to be a trapper. But it's **the will** of my Father that I declare to do, and determined **to do**.

You see his words there? There it is again, "**It is God (the Father) working in me to will first and then to do**", just as Paul said in **Philippians 2:13** "**For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.**"

Notice the similarity between Paul here and brother Branham... But it's **the will** of my Father that I declare to do, and determined **to do**. And then to prove that he says, ...

"I wasn't the One that appeared down on the river; **I was only standing there when He Appeared**. **I'm not the One** that performs these things and foretells these things that happens as perfect as they are; **I'm only one that's near when He does it**. I was only a voice that **He used to say it**. **It wasn't what I knew**; it's what **I just surrendered myself to**, that **He spoke through**. It isn't me. It wasn't the seventh angel, oh, no; it was a manifestation of the Son of man. It wasn't the angel, his Message; it was the mystery that God unfolded. **It's not a man; it's God**. The angel was not the Son of man; he was a messenger from the Son of man. **The Son of man is Christ**. He's the One that you're feeding on. You're not feeding on a man. **A man, his words will fail**, but you're feeding on the unfailing **Body-Word of the Son of man**.

Now, in getting back to paragraph 130 of **The Unveiling of God** brother Branham continues by saying, "if It doesn't fall in **the right kind of a heart**...Jesus said so, "**Some fell by the wayside, upon stony ground, and the fowls of the air come and fed on it.**" And then He said, "**Some fell into thorns and thistles, which raised up and choked out right away**," **traditions, denominations, cares of the world choked It**. But said, "**Some went over into good ground and brought forth a hundredfold**," said, "**that's the Kingdom of God**." It's the same thing. See? **Some will not believe at all. Some will believe for a little while**. Like the disciples, they followed Him, many of them, **the seventy followed Him for years**, to find out, **about a year and a half or two years**, just to find out if they could find something in Him, like some way He had some power to do these things, or like a rabbit foot, a magician of some sort, what He could do to produce these things, how He could know what was in the people's heart, and what they were thinking. And they finally found out that He said that He come down from heaven, **He was the Word Himself**. And when they did, that was too much for them, they said, "**No man can understand this**." And they walked away from Him. **That's those who fell among thorns**.

131 It brings back to the same thing, **in every congregation**, you have **make-believers, unbelievers, and believers**. **It's been in every congregation**. You find them all the time. **Some of them make out like they're believers; that's the worst of type**. And then they have those who are actually unbelievers; he won't bother you; he'll just walk away and shake his head. **But those who make-believe, say they're believers, that's the kind you have to watch, is those make-believers**. And **then there's some genuine believers**. See them three there? There was the unbelievers. As soon as He said, "**Eat the flesh of the Son of man**," oh, man, that was it. The other one was **make-believers**. They stayed **till** (just like Judas

did) right up to the end. But then **the real believers**, they couldn't explain it, but they believed it anyhow. They went on through.

Now, let's go back to Jesus parable to see how Jesus explain this to us and see if what he tells us is not exactly the same as William Branham explained it.

Now in order to do this we will go again to **Matthew 13**, and continue where we left off.

Matthew 13:10 *And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables? 11 He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given. 12 For whosoever hath, (echoes) to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath (echoes) not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath.(thinks he is echoing) 13 Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.*

So you see if you hear and see but do not understand you do not then perceive what it is that you are hearing and seeing.

14 *And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive: 15 For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes (the prophets) they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them. 16 But blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear. 17 For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous men have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them.*

Ok, so now Jesus has made it very plain that you must be able to understand with your heart or what you see and hear you will not have any clue what it means. And we know according to **1 Corinthians 2** that unless you have the Spirit of God living in you, you will never understand the things of God.

Now, let's listen to Jesus explain the parable of the sower to us. **18** *Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower. 19 When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.*

Notice he is speaking of the condition of the heart, either you understand from the heart or you do not. And if you do not he says that which you hear the devil will come in and cause you to not understand what you hear so it will not do you any good. Then he says this is like seed sown on the way side. Or the side of the way the side of the road. So we are looking at ground that has not been fertilized with the three fertilizers needed to understand, Justification, Sanctification and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. For "**without the Holy Ghost you cannot understand the things of God, they are foolishness to you.**" That's **1 Corinthians 2**.

20 *But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it; 21 Yet hath he not root in himself, so he endures for a*

while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.

See, stony ground like a stony heart. These examples Jesus gives us where the right fertilizer is not there are examples of a heart condition. The way side is not at the center of the heart, but it's a peripheral thing to you. Oh you heard the Word but because you didn't have a heart that was tilled up to receive it, you still heard it but you put it on the back burner of your life, or your heart and did not take it into the center of your heart.

That is what Jesus told the Pharisees, he said in your heart you have no place for the Word. You have a place for everything else, but not for the Word.

John 8:37 *I know that ye are Abraham's seed; but ye seek to kill me, because my word hath no place in you. 43 Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word.*

Notice Jesus says, *"you can not hear because you can not understand what you are hearing.*

45 *And because I tell you the truth, ye believe me not. 46 Which of you convinceth me of sin? "of unbelief?"*

Then notice what Jesus says next, ... *"And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me? 47 He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God.*

Weymouth New Testament *He who is a child of God listens to God's words. You do not listen to them: and why? It is because you are not God's children."*

Now, brother Branham taught us to hear is to understand. And Jesus tells us they can not hear or understand because they are not God's children. They don't have the same Spirit as God.

His unfailing words of promise 64-0120 P:65 *Look what Jesus said, "**He that heareth My Words ('Heareth' means 'to understand.'** See?)... He that heareth My Word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, has Everlasting Life, and shall not come to the judgment, but's passed from death unto Life." You're doing the most noble thing you ever did.*

Mary's belief 61-0121 P:30 *Now, listen, friends. Don't take a substitute. Don't just shake a man's hand and put your name on the book. That's... as far as it goes, that's all right. It might help you to get out of the saloon and get in a decent place and try to live right. That won't do it though. "**Except a man be born again he cannot even see the kingdom of God.**" Now, "**see**" means "**to understand.**" There's a lot of people that say they're born again and can't understand the Message of God, can't see the Angel of the Lord. **Their eyes are blinded, brother. Except a man be born of the Holy Ghost, the same Holy Ghost that wrote the Word will confirm the Word, and the same confirmation of the Holy Ghost in you...** You see what I mean? **It will bear record of Itself.** Then our spirit bears record with His Spirit, because **His Spirit bears recorded of His Word.** "**The Word of God is sharper, more powerful (Hebrews 4) than any two-edged sword, even piercing to the... asunder... and the marrow of the bone, and a discerner of the thought and the intents of the heart.**"*

*That's "Thus saith the Lord," the Lord's Word, just exactly, **Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever, appearing in His elected church.***

The **New Living Translation** *Yes, I realize that you are descendants of Abraham. And yet some of you are trying to kill me because **there's no room in your hearts for my message.***

The **Contemporary English Version** *I know that you are from Abraham's family. Yet you want to kill me, because **my message isn't really in your hearts.***

Therefore if the Seed or Word of God was received on the way side, it is in a peripheral position to your heart, the side of the heart but not in the heart nor at the center of your heart. Therefore it is not in the heart.

The **Aramaic Bible in Plain English** *"I know you are the seed of Abraham, but you seek to kill me because **you cannot comprehend my word.**"*

22 *He also that received seed among the thorns is **he that heareth the word; and the care of this world,** and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.*

You see, there are other things that mean more to your heart than the Word of God and so you push the Word out and it becomes unfruitful. These three places so far that the seed or word of God is received are conditions of the heart, Stony, peripherally and now other things are more important in your heart, so the Word cannot get in and set down its roots. No **tillering** can take place, no growth can take place, and certainly no maturity can take place in such an heart as this.

23 *But he that received seed into the **good** ground is he that **heareth the word, and understandeth it;** which also **beareth fruit, and bringeth forth,** some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.*

So just as the ground needs to be tilled and fertilized with nitrogen, Phosphorus and Potassium, so the heart must be fertilized with Justification, Sanctification and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost or it is in no way ready to take root and grow in you.

Now, notice that in Verse **24** Jesus again speaks of a sowing of seed which is the Word of God. *"Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed **good seed** in his field: **25** But while men slept, **his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat,** and went his way. **26** But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.*

Notice there is no word here of the tares bearing fruit. They are there not to produce fruit but to suck off the life of the ones that do bear fruit.

27 *So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow **good seed** in thy field? **from whence then hath it tares?** **28** He said unto them, **An enemy** hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? **29** But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. **30** **Let both grow together until the harvest:** and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but **gather the wheat** into my barn.*

36 Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, **Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field.** **37** He answered and said unto them, **He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man;** **38** The field is the world; **the good seed are the children of the kingdom;** but **the tares are the children of the wicked one;** **39** The enemy that sowed them is the devil; **the harvest is the end of the world;** and the reapers are the angels. **40** As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. **41** **The Son of man shall send forth his angels,** and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; **42** And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. **43** **Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.**

Let us pray...