

# MATTHEW



## **WELCOME!**

We are glad you are joining us.

**September 15, 2024**

Worship Team led by David Dillon  
Message by Karl Helvig

**Matthew Week 20**

**Text: Matthew 13:1-23**

**Matthew 13:1-9, Matthew 13:18-23**

### **Parables of the Kingdom.**

The parable of four soils.  
A defense of parables.  
Explanation of the parable.

### **The Path: Obstinance, Rocky Soil: Suffering, Thorns: Worry and Wealth**

#### **The Path**

Συγιέντος  
“to put together”

**The Scam of Obstinance: trying to convince us we know better than the Word of God.**

#### **The Rocky Ground**

Troubles and Persecution.  
Θλίψεως ἢ διωγοῦ

**The Scam of Suffering: trying to convince us our suffering is too great for the Word of God.**

#### **The Thorny Ground**

Μέριμνα  
Care, worry, anxiety.  
“Something that divides or fractures.”

**The Scam of Worry and Wealth: choking us from the life-giving oxygen of the Word of God.**

## **YOUR MOVE**

How must I *understand* the Word of God today?