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I. Matthew 13-7 parables about the Kingdom of Heaven
A. V10-11 - Mysteries of the kingdom of heaven

1. Kingdom of Heaven - The foundational, principal component of heaven; the system or culture of heaven
B. Kingdom Culture
2. Culture - Webster - The set of shared attitudes, values, goals, and practices of a society, institution or organization.
II. Matt 13:3-9
A. V3-Sow - spĕirō- To place or scatter seeds in ground for future growth
B. V7- Some fell among the thorns
3. Thorns - akantha - A thorny plant; worthless weed, something unpleasant to be avoided
4. Some fell "Among" thorns
a) Among - ĕpi - A position within an area "determined" by other objects and distributed among them
5. Sprang up - anabainō- Increase in size by natural process; grow up, arise
6. $\underline{\text { Choked - apŏpnigō - To cause the death of plants by other plants crowding them }}$ out, overwhelm or overshadowing them, to inhibit the action, function or development of something.
C. V22 - "Thorns" that will choke the Word of God - Three "categories":
7. Cares of this world
a) Cares - měrimna - Concerned, anxious, worried, nervous
b) World - aiōn - An age; unit of time or era; world system
(1) Cares - root word means to divide, disunite
(2) James 1:5-8 (NKJV) - Double-minded man, unstable in all his ways

## 2. Deceitfulness of Riches

a) Riches - plŏutŏs - Wealth, money, possessions; root word to fill, furnish or fulfill
b) Deceitfulness - apatē - Delusion, cheat, deceive or cause to have misleading or erroneous views about the truth
c) 1 Timothy 6:10 (NKJV) 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.
(1) Love - philarguria - Extreme love for money or wealth
d) Part of the curse
(1) Genesis 3:17-18 (NKJV) 17 Then to Adam He said, "Because you have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat of it': "Cursed is the ground for your sake; In toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life. 18 Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you, And you shall eat the herb of the field."
e) Matthew 4:4 (NKJV) 4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'"
3. Desires for other things - Mark 4:18-19
a) Desires - ĕpithumia - Deep desire, longing, craving; A self-indulgent craving that displaces proper affection for God.
(1) Psalm 27:4 (NKJV) 4 One thing I have desired of the Lord, That will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord All the days of my life, To behold the beauty of the Lord, And to inquire in His temple.
b) Entering in - ĕispŏrěuŏmai - To enter, go into, of things, as food
D. Thorns cause us to "become" unfruitful

1. Unfruitful - akarpŏs - Barren, producing no fruit or harvest
2. Hebrews 4:2 (NKJV) 2 For indeed the gospel was preached to us as well as to them; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it.
