

God typically only fills and occupies the amount of space we yield... We MUST surrender and YEILD our WHOLE heart if we're to rightly expect God to fill our lives with good gifts and fruit.

Uneven results & fruit that doesn't last is the consequences of unyielded hearts!

Jesus is teaching us why sometimes we sew and minster God's Word and yet still get uneven results... The ground is shallow and occupied!

Matthew 13:3-9

— Hardened & Unyielding Hearts

Matt. 13:3 Then He spoke many things to them in parables, saying: "Behold, a sower went out to sow.

Matt. 13:4 And as he sowed, some seed fell by the wayside; and the birds came and devoured them.

— Proudful & Self-dependent Hearts

Matt. 13:5 Some fell on stony places, where they did not have much earth; and they immediately sprang up because they had no depth of earth.

Matt. 13:6 But when the sun was up they were scorched, and because they had no root they withered away.

— Divided & Pleasure Seeking Hearts

Matt. 13:7 And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked them.

— Surrendered & Fully Yielding Heart

Matt. 13:8 But others fell on good ground and **yielded** a crop: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

Matt. 13:9 He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

Matthew 13:18-23

Matt. 13:18 "Therefore hear the parable of the sower:

Matt. 13:19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside.

Matt. 13:20 But he who received the seed on stony places, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy;

Matt. 13:21 yet he has no root in himself, but endures only for a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles.

Matt. 13:22 Now he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the word, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful.

Matt. 13:23 But he who received seed on the good ground is he who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and produces: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty."

— Weekly Visits or a Dwelling Place

(2 Kings 4:8 - 11)

2Kings 4:8 Now it happened one day that Elisha went to Shunem, where there was a notable woman, and she persuaded him to eat some food. So it was, as often as he passed by, he would turn in there to eat some food.

2Kings 4:9 And she said to her husband, "Look now, I know that this is a holy man of God, who passes by us regularly.

2Kings 4:10 Please, let us make a small upper room on the wall; and let us put a bed for him there, and a table and a chair and a lampstand; so it will be, whenever he comes to us, he can turn in there."

2Kings 4:11 And it happened one day that he came there, and he turned in to the upper room and lay down there.

— You can have as much of the Holy Spirit depending on how much you YEILD!

"Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. **The amount you give (YIELD & SURRENDER) will determine the amount you get back.**" (Luke 6:38 NLT)

"For He satisfies the longing soul, And fills the hungry soul with goodness." (Psalm 107:9)

"He has filled the hungry with good things, And the rich (Full & Satisfied) He has sent away empty." (Luke 1:53)

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled." (Matthew 5:6)

"Now this I say, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully." (2 Corinthians 9:6)

"And he said, "Thus says the LORD: 'Make this valley full of ditches.'" (2 Kings 3:16)

"Then he said, "Go, borrow vessels from everywhere, from all your neighbors—empty vessels; do not gather just a few." (2 Kings 4:3)