

# The Farmer Understands the Seed He Sows

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I heard this statement so clearly as I was praying. Then the verses from the Parable of the Sower came to me:

Matthew 13:

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.

Context:

Matthew 13

The same day Jesus went 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 wayside,  
and the fowls came and devoured them up.

11/12/21 Revelation or understanding?

I hear people say: "I am waiting for the Lord to give me the assurance He is going to heal me," or "I am waiting to hear the Lord tell me He is going to heal me", or some such phrase.

I hated those phrases to be honest with you.

To me they were 'roadblocks' to healing....

I couldn't exactly explain why my spirit hated them, so I began seeking the Lord about it.

He showed me that what people were wanting was some kind of 'revelation' that they were healed through a voice or prophecy, or some kind of supernatural evidence, when the revelation was already given in His Word. What they were lacking was 'understanding' of what had been given and also understanding of how to work it into their life.

Then **I** understood.

'Understanding' meaning: the 'eyes of your mind and emotions' *seeing spiritually* the Revealed Truth and also

know-how in applying it. This type of understanding comes through study, meditation and prayer.

A farmer 'understands' the seed he sows:

What kind it is

What it's potential is

What the growth process is

When the harvest will come

***Let's get a little understanding of sowing a natural seed and then apply it supernaturally:***

### **What is the structure of corn seed?**

Three important parts of the corn kernel are the **pericarp (seed coat), endosperm, and embryo.**

### **Characteristics of good quality seed**

- Higher genetically purity:
- Higher physical purity for certification.
- Possession of good shape, size, colour, etc., according to specifications of variety.
- Higher physical soundness and weight.
- Higher germination ( 90 to 95 % depending on the crop)
- Higher physiological vigour and stamina.

### **Yield potential:**

All corn seeds from the same plant have the same genetic yield potential regardless of seed size or shape

## **Germination:**

Understanding the sequence of the visual indicators of germination in corn can help troubleshoot emergence problems.

Corn kernels must absorb (imbibe) about 30 % of their weight in water before germination begins. Less than optimum absorption of water (perhaps due to a rapidly drying seed zone) may slow or stop germination.

The visual indicators of germination occur in a distinct sequence and are strongly influenced by soil temperature. Germination and emergence will occur in fewer calendar days when the seed is planted into warm soils than in cold soils.

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