

Evening Lesson

A FARMER WHO NEVER PLOWED A FIELD

Matt. 13:3-9

INTRO:

1. When he came to earth, Jesus laid aside his royal robe and donned the dress of a common man.
2. Jesus was a carpenter, but he could have been anything.

I. THE SOWER...

- A. Jesus did not choose to be a farmer, but he is the "Sower that went out to sow..." **Luke 8:5**
- B. It would have been logical for him to be a farmer.
Gen. 8:22; John 1:3; Gen. 1:11, 12; Eccl. 1:7; Jer. 5:24; Matt. 5:45
- C. But as far as we know, Jesus never pushed a plow nor picked a tomato; never inhaled the scent of newly turned earth nor felt the sweat run down his back as he picked beans in July; never smiled as the first bud broke the ground in spring, or sighed as the last wagonload came out of the field in the fall.
- D. Nevertheless, he is still the sower that went out to sow.
 1. His seed produced thirtyfold, sixtyfold, and a hundredfold. **Mark 4:8**
 2. On Pentecost, he watched as his crop brought forth three thousand souls. **Acts 2:41**

II. WHAT IS INVOLVED IN JESUS BEING THE SOWER?

- A. He purchased a farm. **Psalm 24:1; Mark 16:15; Acts 20:28**
- B. He sows seeds. **Luke 8:11; Mark 4:14; Gen. 1:1; Rom. 1:16; Heb. 4:12; Gal. 6:7, 8; Luke 8:11-15**
- C. He prunes vines. **John 15:1, 2**
- D. He harvests fruit. **Matt. 13:30**

CONC:

1. For someone who never plowed a field, Jesus surely has done a lot of farming.