

Sermon notes for June 6, 2010
Kingdom Stories: Parables of Jesus, part 1 of 4
Matthew 13:1-23 “A Well-Tilled Heart”

Why did Jesus teach in parables?

1. Stories are easy to remember.
2. Tough truths go down easier in story form.
3. Parables reveal the condition of our hearts.

How do we till the soil of our hearts?

1. We need to be spiritually prepared to receive God’s word.
(Ephesians 6:11-13)
2. We need deep commitment to following the word.
3. We need to value God’s word over things of the world.