

# Matthew 13:8

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.

## Analysis

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The description 'But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold' shows the successful response to God's word. 'Good ground' represents receptive hearts that receive, retain, and respond to the message. The varying yields (30, 60, 100-fold) demonstrate differing degrees of fruitfulness, not different salvation levels—all are saved, but fruitfulness varies. The key is fruit production, not fruitlessness.

## Historical Context

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Ancient Palestinian farming typically yielded 7-10 fold returns, making 30-100 fold harvests extraordinarily abundant. This hyperbolic language emphasizes the gospel's supernatural productivity when genuinely received. The varying yields show individual response differences.

## Related Passages

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**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

**Psalm 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

## Study Questions

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1. What type of soil characterizes your heart's response to God's word?
2. What factors contribute to the difference between 30, 60, and 100-fold fruitfulness?

## Interlinear Text

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ἄλλα δὲ ἐπεσεν ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν τὴν καλὴν καὶ  
other But fell into ground good and  
G243 G1161 G4098 G1909 G3588 G1093 G3588 G2570 G2532

ἔδίδου καρπόν, ὅ μὲν ἐκατόν, ὅ δὲ ἔξικοντα  
brought forth fruit some an hundredfold But sixtyfold  
G1325 G2590 G3739 G3303 G1540 G3739 G1161 G1835

ὅ δὲ τριάκοντα  
G3739 But thirtyfold  
G1161 G5144

## Additional Cross-References

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**Matthew 13:23** (Good): But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

**Luke 8:15** (Good): But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

**John 15:8** (Parallel theme): Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

**Genesis 26:12** (Parallel theme): Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him.

**Philippians 1:11** (Parallel theme): Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

