

Chiasmus in Matthew 13:13–18

Therefore speak I to them in *parables*:

because they seeing *see* not; and hearing they *hear* not, neither do they understand.

And in them is fulfilled the *prophecy* of Esaias, which saith,

By hearing ye shall *hear*, and shall not understand;

and seeing ye shall *see*, and shall not perceive:

For this people's *heart* is waxed gross,

and their *ears* are dull of *hearing*,

and their *eyes*

they have *closed*;

lest at any time they should *see*

with their *eyes*,

and *hear* with their *ears*,

and should understand with their *heart*, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

But blessed are your eyes, for they *see*:

and your ears, for they *hear*.

For verily I say unto you, That many *prophets* and righteous men have desired to *see* those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to *hear* those things which ye hear, and have not heard them.

Hear ye therefore the *parable* of the sower.