

*The seed is the word of God, the sower is Christ:  
whoever finds him, he has eternal life*

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**Mat 13,36-43 and  
Alleluia verse**

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**The parable of the sower** helps us to understand the mystery of the *Kingdom*, and the words of the Alleluia verse that I read also include **the core of our faith: the seed is the word of God, Jesus came into the world to sow it in our hearts.**

The sower is Christ: the Father sends his son, Jesus, to sow his word in men's hearts, the word of the *Kingdom*, the word of Life.

**Who listens to Jesus, who finds Him, has eternal life.**

Why they say that you have to find Him when in fact it is He who offers himself publicly to the people?

"You have to *find Him*" means that you need to **understand**: "they have eyes but do not see, have ears but do not listen"... (cf. Ps 115).

**Finding the Lord means to discover, to recognize in him the presence of what our heart really needs.**

But to find him, to find out that **he is the buried treasure, the precious pearl that the merchant is looking for**, you have to look deeply within yourself, understand what you are looking for and be able to understand that He is the only one we need.

It is only then that we can find in Jesus the only *bread of life*.

Let then run the following works in parallel:

- seek the truth of our hearts, deeply asking ourselves about what we are really looking for;
- purify this research so that our hearts are seeking God truly.

**So we will find out that Jesus is the seed come from heaven to fecundate our lives.**

Praised be Jesus Christ