

“Easter Eggs”

Matthew 13:10-17

Two Factors that Influence How We Hear the Word of the Kingdom...

- God’s **grace** enables hearers to understand the word of the kingdom.

- Sinner’s **hardness** prevents them from understanding the word of the kingdom.
 - Jesus affirms human responsibility by quoting a **proverb** (v. 12).

 - Jesus affirms human responsibility by quoting the **Old Testament** (vv. 14-15).