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Msg #1917 Check Your Starting Gate What The Bible Says Good Samaritan's Penny Pulpit by Pastor Ed Rice Who hath ears to hear, let him hear the first seven parables Jesus gave illustrating that the kingdom of heaven, in his new-covenant, would be despised and rejected of men. After almost two-thousand years believers can understand how it ends with his question, "Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" In Matthew 13, where Jesus begins teaching with parable so that his disciples would understand, but the great multitudes that thronged him would not, the first seven parables are given. Leading off with ears of man likened to wayside soil, stony places, among thorns, and some good ground. Jesus acknowledges only one in four will understand his gospel, the word of the kingdom. The first throws the gospel message aside. The next, "anon with joy receiveth it; yet hath no root in himself." The third, "the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful." Only the one beareth fruit: "love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance." Jesus says, "Every branch in me that beareth not fruit (my Father) taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit." The Apostle Peter clarifies that fruit comes when the believer gives diligence to "add to your faith ..." (2Peter 1:5-9). Is your loved one, friend, or neighbor saved and his disciple? The hard fact that Jesus gave previously is, "the tree is known by his fruit." Jesus continues with parables of tares, mustard seeds, leaven, treasures, pearls, and nets, but the theme is the same, "strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it." Be sure you, and they, came through the right starting gate. An Essay for week #17 Apr 28, 2019 Msg in audio at [www.GSBaptistChurch.com/audio/gs190428.mp3](http://www.GSBaptistChurch.com/audio/gs190428.mp3) To review this PP and more visit us at [www.GSBaptistChurch.com](http://www.GSBaptistChurch.com) Copyright © 2019 Good Samaritan Baptist Church, All Public Domain, Freely Copy and Distribute. A weekly 300 word essay- The Penny Pulpit Our mailing address is: Good Samaritan Baptist Church 54 Main St. Box 99 Dresden, NY 14441

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