## Study Guide for *Commentary*on Matthew 13, by David Brown

Extra Reading for the course:
"Kingdom and Covenant in the
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## Read David Brown, Commentary on Matthew 13

From Robert Jamieson, A. R. Fausset and David Brown, *Commentary Critical and Explanatory on the Whole Bible* (1871)

## **Review Questions**

- 1. What does the seed represent in the parable of the sower?
- 2. Describe each different thing that happened to the seed in the parable of the sower, and explain the meaning of each case.
- 3. When the disciples asked Jesus why He taught in parables, He answered, "Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of \_\_\_\_\_\_, but to them it is not given."
- 4. What does the field with wheat and tares represent?
- 5. What is the main point of the parable of the wheat and the tares?
- 6. What does the author say about the mustard seed? Is it absolutely and literally the smallest of all seeds? Is the mustard tree the largest of all the herb plants? Explain.
- 7. In the parable of the mustard seed, what is the meaning of the fact that the birds come and find lodging in the tree?
- 8. What is the difference between the teaching of the parable of the mustard seed and the parable of the leaven?
- 9. What is the point that both the parable of the hidden treasure and the parable of the pearl of great price have in common?
- 10. What is the difference between the teaching of the parable of the hidden treasure and the parable of the pearl of great price?
- 11. What is represented by the fact that the net was cast into the sea in the parable of the good and bad fish?
- 12. Was Jesus well-received in His home town of Nazareth? Explain.