



Parables

“More Than A Story”

Video



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Mark 4:3-9

³ “Listen! A farmer went out to sow his seed.⁴ As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. ⁵ Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. ⁶ But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root.



Mark 4:3-9

⁷ Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants, so that they did not bear grain. ⁸ Still other seed fell on good soil. It came up, grew and produced a crop, some multiplying thirty, some sixty, some a hundred times.” ⁹ Then Jesus said, “Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear.”





Mark 4:13

¹³ Then Jesus said to them, “Don’t you understand this parable? How then will you understand any parable?”



Mark 4:14

¹⁴ The farmer sows the word.



Mark 4:15-20

¹⁵ Some people are like seed along the path, where the word is sown. As soon as they hear it, Satan comes and takes away the word that was sown in them. ¹⁶ Others, like seed sown on rocky places, hear the word and at once receive it with joy.



Mark 4:15-20

¹⁷ But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, they quickly fall away.



Mark 4:15-20

¹⁸ Still others, like seed sown among thorns, hear the word; ¹⁹ but the worries of this life, the deceitfulness of wealth and the desires for other things come in and choke the word, making it unfruitful.



Mark 4:15-20

²⁰ Others, like seed sown on good soil, hear the word, accept it, and produce a crop—some thirty, some sixty, some a hundred times what was sown.”



Four Types of Soil

Hard Soil

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Hard Soil

no response to the Word of God in your life

hard heart toward God

Four Types of Soil

Hard Soil

Shallow Soil

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Shallow Soil

no substance or root to support faith

faith shrivels in face of difficulty

Four Types of Soil

Hard Soil

Shallow Soil

Thorny Soil

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Thorny Soil

receives the Word of God as truth but allow distractions hinder growth

overtaken by worries of life, lure of wealth, and desire for other things

Four Types of Soil

Hard Soil

Shallow Soil

Thorny Soil

Good Soil

Four Types of Soil

Good Soil

hearing, attentiveness, and action on the

Word of God produces an obvious crop

Receive the Word



Receive the Word

Remove the Weeds



Remove the Weeds

Weed of Worry

Weed of Wealth

Weed of Pleasure



Receive the Word

Remove the Weeds

Reap the Harvest



Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.





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Isaiah 55:10-11

"As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it"







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