

LIFE & MINISTRY OF *Christ*

THE WORD - Part 2

Matthew 25: Master gave instruction to His servants

- a. He gave gifts & talents according to their ability to receive, sow & produce.
- b. What are you able to receive, sow & produce?
- c. You can only sow what you have (If you don't have it, you can't sow it)
- d. You can only produce what you receive & sow!!!

Luke 8:(4-8) And when a great multitude had gathered, and they had come to Him from every city, He spoke by a parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold." When He had said these things He cried, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!" PRAY

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If you have ears to hear... If you plant the seed of the word and plant it in good ground (YOUR HEART) it will produce.

Matthew 25: In the application of this parable: Master gave instruction to His servants

- a. He gave according to their ability to receive & produce
- b. What are you able to sow & produce?
- c. You can only sow what you have (If you don't have it, you can't sow it)

time money abilities health

Sower / Seed / Soil / Season

#1. The Sower

The sower went out to sow seed.

- Who is the sower - this is important
- Recognize that you need to sow seeds.
- Important to sow before the storm.

#2. The Seeds

- What kind of seeds are important for you to sow?
- What were the seeds were sown in church last week?

Flower seeds

- Peter wrote that we have been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever (**1 Peter 1:23**).

#3. The Soil

- What kind of soil do you need to sow in – that you desire a harvest?
- Take Notice, is the soil ready to receive the seeds?
- It is proven that after the seeds are planted – you will see the quality of the ground .

Those by the wayside

* Hear the word

* There's an enemy (THREAT)

hardened hearts - never penetrates - quickly taken away.

Distractions – robbed of the word

Roots choke out the word

Kept in darkness regarding their understanding of the gospel

(2 Corinthians 4:3-4). 4 In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

Those sown on rock

* They hear & receive the word with joy **Luke 8:6**

• they failed because the seed lacked moisture and it no root to endure

the time of temptation. (HEAT)

• Moisture: Lack of connection with the Holy Spirit, who waters the word.

Busy life without the Spirit.
Experience without character.
Practice without heart of love
Faith without repentance
Confidence without humiliation
Action without spirituality
Zeal without communion with God

Some fell among thorn

- Heard the word
- choked with cares, riches, pleasures of life
- bring no fruit to maturity

*The soil was too fertile because it also grew all sorts of other things that choked out the word of God. Namely, it grew the cares, riches, and pleasures of life.

The good ground are those who,

- Having heard the word with a noble and good heart (SOIL)
- Keep it and bear fruit with it
- Brought forth fruit in their soil, and in generous proportion (**Luke 8:8**).

#4. The Season is Important

- God fulfills the purpose of the seed
- The seed is the word of God: (spoken and written) The word has enormous power in itself for the regeneration of life, if it is received (planted) in the right conditions - Soil

Reborn - Cleanse

Regrow - Produce faith

Replace – Make you wise

Renewed – Build you up

Revitalize – Give energy

Restore. New Nature.

**The Word of God has Power to Change & bring Peace in
your Life**