

**TOPSOIL – 3**  
**“Half-Hearted”**  
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- **Before God does something through you, He will do something in you.**

Luke 8:4-7 *“While a large crowd was gathering and people were coming to Jesus from town after town, he told this parable: 5 “A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path; it was trampled on, and the birds ate it up. 6 Some fell on rocky ground, and when it came up, the plants withered because they had no moisture. 7 Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up with it and choked the plants.” (NIV)*

Luke 8:11-14 *“This is the meaning of the parable: The seed is the word of God. 12 Those along the path are the ones who hear, and then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. 13 Those on the rocky ground are the ones who receive the word with joy when they hear it, but they have no root. They believe for a while, but in the time of testing they fall away. 14 The seed that fell among thorns stands for those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by life’s worries, riches and pleasures, and they do not mature.” (NIV)*

- **God wants to take what happens to you to accomplish His work in you so He can fulfill His purpose through you.**

**Three types of weeds:**

1. **The Worries of this Life**

- **Worry is being consumed with what is happening around us, and leaves little emotional energy to reflect on what’s happening in us.**

2. **The Deceitfulness of Wealth**

3. **The Pleasures of Life**