

## THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER

Luke NKJV 8: <sup>4</sup>And when a great multitude had gathered, and they had come to Him from every city, He spoke by a parable: <sup>5</sup>“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. <sup>6</sup>Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. <sup>7</sup>And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. <sup>8</sup>But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded <sup>9</sup>a crop a hundredfold.” When He had said these things He cried, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”

<sup>9</sup>And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, <sup>10</sup>he said, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God, but for others they are in parables, so that ‘seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.’ <sup>11</sup>Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. <sup>12</sup>The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. <sup>13</sup>And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away. <sup>14</sup>And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. <sup>15</sup>As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.

### 1. The Seed is the Word of God, Man’s heart is the soil,

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- God’s word contains the perfect seed for everything that you need,
- The soil is the heart/Spirit of man,

### 2. Do you have a root?

Luke 8: <sup>13</sup>And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away.

- Roots are developed through receiving; water, sunlight and food,

### 3. Remove those thorns

Luke 8: <sup>14</sup>And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature.

- Thorns represent the choking or suffocating through; cares, riches, and pleasures,

#### **4. Multiplication of Fruit**

Luke 8: <sup>15</sup>As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.

- Hearing is giving an audience or (respect) to the word, honest and good heart is holding the word with the; (right attitude)
- Patience is consistently applying the discipline of respect and the right attitude,