

## Luke's Gospel: Jesus talks about dirt.

Pastor Daniel Olson

Text: Luke 8:4-21

Parables: Stories that make us go "Umm... what?" (Luke 8:4-8)

Jesus didn't come just to be a good teacher (Luke 8:9-10)

4 Responses to the Word of God (Luke 8:11-15):

"This can't be true."

"Jesus isn't fulfilling my dreams."

"I can fulfill my dreams without Jesus."

"Jesus is all I want."

Take care how you hear. (Luke 8:16-18)

Jesus is able to till up the soil.

Jesus is growing a family. (Luke 8:19-21)

## Food for Thought for the week of January 17, 2021

(Questions and Scriptures for further study and discussion.)

1. Have you ever had an "Umm... what?" moment when reading the Bible? How did that make you feel?
2. Why do you think Jesus spoke in parables that can be confusing?
3. Which kind of soil do you relate with the most? Have you seen different responses to God's word in different times of your life?
4. Is there a difference between knowing and believing? How does that relate to the tendency to hear the Word, but not do it?
5. Why is having a relationship with Jesus so important vs. simply knowing His teachings or knowing about Him?

## Memory Verse

But He answered them, "My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and do it." Luke 8:21

