

Sermon Notes

Good Dirt

“Cultivating Your Soul for Growing Season”

February 22, 2026

Scripture

Luke 8:4-8 & 11-15, 11-12

Matthew 13:19

Deuteronomy 24:1

Hosea 10:12

Highlights

“The deeper a believers walk is, the less opportunity for hypocrisy to rear its ugly head.”

“Those with legalistic tendencies often add their own rules and regulations to scripture, while people with liberal tendencies try to minimize or detract from what the Bible teaches.” - Charles Swindoll

Application

“Crank up the tiller”

- 1. Think about a current event or social issue you feel strongly about. Find a scripture related to it and pray, “Am I using this verse as a weapon to support my bias, or am letting this verse shape my heart?”**
- 2. Pick a famous verse (like John 3:16 or Psalm 23). Read it in a completely different translation (The Message, Amplified Bible) and ask: “If I’d never heard this before, what would I notice for the first time?”**