

Life Group Questions Luke 8:4–15

1. The Condition of the Soil

Read: Luke 8:4–8

Jesus describes four different kinds of soil that receive the seed. Which soil do you most identify with right now, hard path, rocky ground, thorny ground, or good soil? Why?

2. When the Word Doesn't Take Root

Read: Luke 8:11–12

Jesus says the seed is the Word of God, but sometimes it never penetrates the heart. What are some ways a person can hear God's Word but still not truly receive it?

3. Shallow Roots and Hard Seasons

Read: Luke 8:13 and Colossians 2:6–7

Jesus says some people receive the Word with joy but fall away during testing because they have no root. What helps a believer develop deeper spiritual roots before difficult seasons arrive?

4. When Life Gets Crowded

Read: Luke 8:14

Jesus says worries, riches, and pleasures can choke spiritual growth. What "thorns" in modern life most commonly crowd out our spiritual growth?

5. The Goal: Spiritual Fruit

Read: Luke 8:15 and Psalm 1:1–3

According to Jesus, good soil hears the Word, retains it, perseveres, and produces fruit. What kinds of fruit should we expect to see in a life that is truly rooted in Christ?

6. Staying Connected to Jesus

Read: John 15:4–5

Jesus says we must "remain" in Him to bear fruit. What are some practical ways we can remain connected to Christ in everyday life?

7. Cultivating the Soil of Our Hearts

Read: James 1:22 and Hebrews 4:12

Sunday's message highlighted three ways to work the soil: **Reflect on the Word**, **Pray the Word**, and **Implement the Word**. Which of these do you most need to grow in right now, and what is one step you can take this week?