

Sermon Notes
The Sower & the Soils
1/18/26

Scripture: Matthew 13:3-9, 18-23 / Mark 4:3-9 / Luke 8:5-8

3 Then he told them many things in parables, saying: "A farmer went out to sow his seed. 4 As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. 5 Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. 6 But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. 7 Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. 8 Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. 9 Whoever has ears, let them hear."

BIG IDEA

The Word of God is faithfully _____, but its fruitfulness depends on the condition of the _____ that receives it.

1. The Faithful _____ & the Planted _____

- *The sower spreads the seed _____ and _____.*
- *The seed represents the _____ of _____.*
- *Faithfulness in sowing is our _____; results belong to _____.*

2. The Failing _____ & the Resisting _____

1. The Hard Soil: A _____ Heart

- *The Word is _____ away before it can take root.*
- *A hardened heart is often shaped by repeated _____.*

2. The Shallow Soil: A _____ Heart

- *The Word is received with _____ but has no _____.*
- *When trials come, faith quickly _____.*

3. The Crowded Soil: A _____ Heart

- *The Word is _____ by the cares of the world.*
- *Good things can _____ out God.*

3. The Fruitful _____ & the Receiving _____

- *The good soil _____ the Word attentively.*
- *The good soil _____ fast to the Word faithfully.*
- *The good soil bears fruit with _____ over time.*