

# Follow Jesus

## SERMON NOTES

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WHY DO PEOPLE UNFOLLOW  
JESUS?

*Luke 8:4 (NIV) While a large crowd was gathering and people were coming to Jesus from town after town, he told this parable: 5 "A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path; it was trampled on, and the birds ate it up. 6 Some fell on rocky ground, and when it came up, the plants withered because they had no moisture. 7 Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up with it and choked the plants. 8 Still other seed fell on good soil. It came up and yielded a crop, a hundred times more than was sown." When he said this, he called out, "Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear."*

### FOUR KEYS TO UNDERSTANDING THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER:

**Key #1** The key \_\_\_\_\_ is the sowing of the seed.

**Key #2** There are a \_\_\_\_\_ of soils.

**Key #3** The \_\_\_\_\_ seed is sowed to all four soils.

**Key #4** Something \_\_\_\_\_ happens to the seed no matter what type of soil it falls on.

*Luke 8:9 (NIV) His disciples asked him what this parable meant.*

11 "This is the meaning of the parable: The seed is the word of God.

The seed is the word of God and the good news of Jesus and the \_\_\_\_\_ that he brings through his death, burial and resurrection.

## FOUR TYPES OF SOIL

### **Type #1 The seed on the \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Luke 8:12 (NIV) Those along the path are the ones who hear, and then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved.*

### **Type #2 The seed on the \_\_\_\_\_ ground.**

*Luke 8:13 (NIV) Those on the rocky ground are the ones who receive the word with joy when they hear it, but they have no root. They believe for a while, but in the time of testing they fall away.*

### **Type #3 The seed on the \_\_\_\_\_ ground**

*Luke 8:14 (NIV) The seed that fell among thorns stands for those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by life's worries, riches and pleasures, and they do not mature.*

### **Type #4 The seed on \_\_\_\_\_ ground.**

*Luke 8:15 (NIV) But the seed on good soil stands for those with a noble and good heart, who hear the word, retain it, and by persevering produce a crop.*

*John 6:66 (NIV) From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him. "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve. 68 Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. 69 We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God."*

**Peter realized that no one else would ever bring them spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ in their souls like Jesus.**

**Additional Notes:**



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