

The Parable of the Sower

Mark's gospel Verse 1-20, then 21-29



What is a 'Parable'?

A simple story with a spiritual meaning

Who are the Players?



The farmer is ...?



The seed ...?



The path is like people who ...?



The rocky soil is like those who ...?



What are the thorns in real life?



How would you recognize the good soil?

"He who has ears to hear, let him hear" – Mark 4:9

Listen Up! You need to HEAR this!

There are FOUR possible responses (which one are you picking?)

Satan is like a thief who wants to take the gospel message from you Some people give up on Jesus rather than put up with the cost of following Him

Some let their desire for other things become stronger than their desire for Jesus

Some understand that Jesus is their greatest treasure

"Light under a basket" Mark 4: verses 21-25

- + Also, He said to them, "Is a lamp brought to be put under a basket or under a bed? Is it not to be set on a lampstand? For there is nothing hidden which will not be revealed, nor has anything been kept secret but that it should come to light. If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear."
- + Then He said to them, "Take heed what you hear. With the same measure you use, it will be measured to you; and to you who hear, more will be given. For whoever has, to him more will be given; but whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him."



The Parable of the Growing Seed Mark 4: verses 26-29

+ And He said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground, and should sleep by night and rise by day, and the seed should sprout and grow, he himself does not know how. For the earth yields crops by itself: first the blade, then the head, after that the full grain in the head. But when the grain ripens, immediately he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."



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