



**SCRIPTURE**  
MARK 4:1-9

Parable of the Sower or Parable of the Good Earth? The command to *listen* implies being present to the moment and paying attention. The notion of *good earth* suggests agency in the actions of the farmer.



**TRADITION**  
EXPECTATIONS

Traditions shape our expectations of the *environment* in which our children are formed (our families) and the *fruit* that is expected (child's behavior, decisions, actions).



**VITAL WITNESS**  
EXPERIENCE

Reflect on the *ideals* that guide your parenting decisions. Reflect on what brings out the best in you and in your child. Consider forming a plan that helps you and your child be your best selves as frequently as possible.



**SCIENCE**  
SECURE ATTACHMENT

Children thrive in an environment in which their primary caregivers provide a secure base from which to explore and a safe haven to return to for comfort when emotions become overwhelming or a situation too much.

# WHAT MAKES THE SOIL GOOD?

Scripture

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## Framework for Learning: Biblical Maps...



Galilee



Wilderness



Jerusalem

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## Reflect and Consider

<p><b>You</b></p>	<p>Where are you on the map?</p> <p>What makes you locate yourself there?</p>
<p><b>Your Child</b></p>	<p>Where is your child on the map?</p> <p>What makes you locate your child there?</p>