

The Seed And The Soils

Luke 8:5-15

I. Consider the Seed.

- A. The seed is the Word of God (v. 11).
 - 1. Seeds are designed to bear after *their own kind* (Genesis 1:12, 21, 24, 25).
 - 2. Soy bean seeds will produce soy beans where ever they are planted in good ground.
- B. The Bible begets Christians (1 Corinthians 4:15).
 - 1. If someone is more than a Christian he obeyed more than the Gospel.
 - a. Many churches require more than obedience to the Gospel to become a member.
 - b. Some churches require one to be *voted in*.
 - 2. The Bible makes Christians only and the only Christians (Acts 11:26).

II. Consider the Soils.

- A. These soils represent types of hearts that the personal worker will encounter.
- B. The way side soil is tempted by the Devil (v. 12).
 - 1. Conditions are not conducive to Christianity. Many in the world insist that Christianity will cramp their style.
 - 2. Sadly that temptation is not limited to the world. There are many in the church who are unhappy with the Christian's walk. (Plug the Youth Day during lectureship)
 - 3. The Devil knows what to attack. He takes the Word because the power is in that medium (Romans 1:16).
- C. The rocky soil is too shallow to produce lasting fruit for the Lord.
 - 1. We must be fruitful (John 15:1ff).
 - 2. Strong trees demand deep roots.
- D. The thorny soil get the Word choked out (v. 14).
 - 1. The cares of the world can be heavy (i.e. money, career, success, socializing, recreation, etc.).
 - 2. We can cast these cares upon the Lord (1 Peter 5:7).
- E. The good soil represents the ideal circumstances (v. 15).
 - 1. These situations do not come often.
 - 2. In this parable, there was only a 25% success rate. Consider what Mark 4:30 teaches about parables. Success is not guaranteed, but our efforts must continue.

Sower and Seed Search

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Soil	Seed	Sower	Word
God	Begotten	Kind	Good
Rocky	Shallow	Stones	Cares
Luke	Matthew	Fertile	Bible
Sword	Christian	Acts	Devil