

# The Parable of the Sower

(Matthew 13:1–30)

## Sowing the Seed

Jesus shared parables to teach biblical truths. Many times, the objects in the parables were symbolic for something else. Read Matthew 13:18–23 to discover what each type of soil symbolized in the parable:



Soil	Meaning
The Path	
Rocky Soil	
Thorny Soil	
Good Soil	

## REVIEW

Define the following two words:

sower: \_\_\_\_\_

parable: \_\_\_\_\_

# A Chance to Sprout and Grow

God wants us all to be like the seeds that fell in the good soil. He wants us to learn more and more about God and share Him with others. But often we fail. We may even act as if we are rocky or thorny soil to look cool around our friends.

God sent Jesus to be our Savior. Through Jesus' death and resurrection, God offers us full forgiveness. We cannot earn that forgiveness; it is a free gift to be shared. God sends us His Holy Spirit to nurture and grow us strong in the faith. That's great news—the kind God would have us share with others.

Whom will you share it with? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

## Lifestyle Choice

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## Living Your Life

Each of these seeds is symbolic of a lifestyle choice we may or may not make. Match the choice with the correct seed and soil combination. Put the correct letter in the column at the left:

- Receive Jesus' Word and share it with others
- Do not believe in God and refuse to learn about Him
- Think things are more important than God
- Fear what others will think of us if we admit we believe in Jesus



## REMEMBER

Fill in the missing vowels. Use the symbols below the lines to find the correct vowel.

A =    E =    O =    U =

B t    b l s s d    r    y r    y s,    f r    th y    s ,  
 n d    y r    r s,    f r    th y    h r.    M t t h w 13:16