

Sowing the Seed

Narrator: Out of the house to be free,
Jesus sat beside the sea
On a boat, so crowds could see.
This parable was shared with me.

Farmer: These seeds I plan to go and
sow
Across my land both high and low.

All: The farmer went out the seeds to sow.
Will the seeds fail or will the seeds
grow?

Seed #1: On the path and underfoot
We landed without taking root.
The hungry birds landed near.
As they ate and ate, we disappeared.

Narrator: The first seeds were gone
when the birds flew.
Now what will happen to seed number
2?

All: The farmer went out the seeds to sow.
Will the seeds fail or will the seeds
grow?

Seed #2: The land was rocky without
much soil.
The plants sprang up but began to
boil.
The sun was bright and hot that day.
The plants became scorched and died
away.

Narrator: Although they had roots, they
withered away.
C'mon seed 3, we hope you stay.

All: The farmer went out the seeds to sow.
Will the seeds fail or will the seeds
grow?

Seed #3: Success seems certain as these
seeds grow
But one could predict the upcoming
woe.

Thorns: We grew amongst seed number
3.

As they grew up, so did we.
What happened next was truly no
joke:
The sprouting plants began to choke.
We did not want to share the land.
As thorns, we had the upper hand.

Narrator: At first the third seeds
flourished and grew,
But the thorns among them gave them
their due.

Our final seeds we hope will grow
On good soil the farmer will sow.

All: The farmer went out the seeds to sow.
Will the seeds fail or will the seeds
grow?

Seed #4: As fourth seeds, we landed on
the richest of soil.
The negative elements we managed to
foil.

The sun, soil, and plenty of rain
Helped us to produce an abundance of
grain.
Thirty, sixty, a hundredfold
Were produced by us, or so we've been
told.

Farmer: Patience and persistence are
valuable traits.
I sowed the seed but then had to wait.
Some crops died while others lived.
It's a sacrifice I had to give.
I learned my lesson here today.
I'll share what I've learned along the
way.

Jesus: Tell others about Me and My life.
Some will listen, even as they face
strife.
But share your faith and be bold.
God may produce thirty, sixty, or a
hundredfold.