



# Storyteller

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## The Sower and the Soils

### JESUS PROCLAIMS THE PARABLE

- *Matthew 13:1-9*

### JESUS EXPLAINS THE PARABLE

- The seed represents the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*“Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.” (Luke 8:11)*  
*“When anyone hears the word of the kingdom...” (Matthew 13:19)*
- The sower represents those who \_\_\_\_\_.
- The different soils represent the different \_\_\_\_\_.
- The path (wayside) represents the \_\_\_\_\_ heart.  
*“When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart.” (Matthew 13:19)*  
*“Those along the path are the ones who hear, and then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved.” (Luke 8:12 NIV 1984)*
- The rocky soil represents the \_\_\_\_\_ heart.

*“But he who received the seed on stony places, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet he has no root in himself, but endures only for a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles.” (Matthew 13:20-21)*

- The thorny soil represents the \_\_\_\_\_ heart.  
*“Now he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the word, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful.” (Matthew 13:22)*
- The good soil represents the \_\_\_\_\_ heart.  
*“But he who received seed on the good ground is he who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and produces: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.” (Matthew 13:23)*
- The point of sowing is \_\_\_\_\_.  
*“Every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Therefore by their fruits you will know them.” (Matthew 7:17-20)*
- *“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.” (Galatians 5:22-23)*
- *“...that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.” (Philippians 1:10-11)*
- *“This same Good News that came to you is going out all over the world. It is bearing fruit everywhere by changing lives, just as it changed your lives from the day you first heard and understood the truth about God’s wonderful grace.” (Colossians 1:6 NLT)*
- *“His delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night. He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper.” (Psalm 1:2-3)*

Unless otherwise noted, all scripture references are taken from the New King James Version of the Bible.