

PARABLE OF THE SOWER - MARK 4:1-20

I. PARABLES ARE GLIMPSES INTO THE UNSEEN REALM THROUGH THE WINDOW OF THE SEEN.

A. MARK 4:1-9 - THIS PARABLE IS ALL ABOUT LISTENING.

• The only way to guarantee that a seed doesn't grow is to keep it in your pocket.

B. BE ATTRACTIVE

• Be attractive = Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control (Gal. 5:22-23)

II.. THE SOILS

A. THE FIRST SOIL

• It doesn't matter how satisfied you are in the world or hurt by it. How many mistakes you've made or deals you've done. God wants you!

D. THE SECOND SOIL

- The exchange that the Gospel offers is that you get Jesus' life instead of your own, not in addition to your own.
- Jesus provides what the world has promised but could never deliver.

E. THE THIRD SOIL

- "If the Devil can't make you sin, he'll make you busy."
 Cornelia "Corrie" ten Boom
- 1. You can't please everyone, but you can choose who you disappoint.
- 2. Ask someone who loves Jesus and you to check your blind spot.

E. THE FOURTH SOIL

• Ask him to do the gardening, stay when it gets difficult, and he'll grow the fruit.