

Parable of the Sower

Matthew 13: 1-23

3/23/14

Points/questions to consider

1) Is there a word I need to sow? What's stopping me?

- a. Not expecting any results from recipient(s)
- b. Not willing to risk being wrong
- c. Not believing I could be used by God
- d. Other...

2) How do I most often receive a word from God?

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| a. The Word | d. Instruction | g. Nature |
| b. Prayer | e. Conversations | h. Direct word |
| c. Worship | f. Stories | i. Other |

*(Must square with the Bible)

3) Three unfruitful conditions of the heart: which one most resonates with you?

- a. Pathway and Birds: It's about our MIND
Requires ACTION: JUST DO IT!

- b. Stony Ground and Sun: It's about our WILL
Requires PERSEVERANCE: PRESS THRU IT!

- c. Fertile but Thorny, Weedy Ground: It's about our HEART
Requires PRUNING: YIELD TO IT!

4) Where I have experienced abundant fruitfulness? (Sometimes, I may never know the impact).