

## Scatter the Seed of the Gospel

Luke 8:5-8

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In the days of Jesus, **the seed was very precious**, because it was the life of the people, and for this reason great care was taken to ensure that the ground was carefully prepared and that **the seed was scattered only on the good soil**, where it would produce thirtyfold, sixtyfold and one hundredfold. Matthew 13:8.

But here in this parable of Jesus, He is saying that the sower scatters the seed on the hard pathway, the stony ground, the thorny ground, as well as the good ground!

In His explanation, Jesus says that the seed is the Word of God. Luke 8:11.

Jesus and His disciples are the sowers of the Word of God. Matthew 13:37, Matthew 4:23, Matthew 9:35, Matthew 10:7, 8, Matthew 10:19, 20, Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15, Luke 7:22, Acts 1:8, Acts 8:4, Acts 8:5-8, Acts 8:35.

Jesus says that the four types of ground: hard pathway, stony ground, thorny ground, and good ground, represent four conditions of the heart of man.

Hard ground is a hard condition of the heart because of unbelief or wrong belief. Mark 16:9-14.

Stony ground is a shallow condition of the heart and does not allow the seed to grow deep roots. Luke 8:13.

Thorny ground is a heart distracted by the cares, riches and pleasures of this world. Luke 8:14.

Good ground is a heart that is honest and good, and hears and keeps the Word, and bears much fruit. Luke 8:15.

Jesus, in His parable of the sower, Matthew 13, Luke 8, Mark 4, tells His disciples, to scatter the seed of the Word of God, the Gospel, on all types and conditions of ground, because, we, Jesus disciples, cannot tell what type of soil, a man's heart is. 1Samuel 16:7.

**When do we scatter the seed of God's Word, the Gospel? Answer: All the time, as the Holy Spirit guides, leads and prompts us.**

**Where do we scatter the seed of God's Word, the Gospel? Answer: Everywhere , as the Holy Spirit guides leads and prompts us.**

Carry Gospel tracts which show the way of salvation clearly.

Write your own tracts. Use your own testimony. 1Peter 3:15.

Be bold. Proverbs 28:1, 1Thessalonians 2:2, Proverbs 14:26, Ephesians 6:18-20.

Ask for words to speak, and be ready to speak. Ephesians 6:19.

Do not stop talking the Good News of the Gospel. Acts 18: 9 10.

Pray for opportunities and open doors. Colossians 4:3.

Love people. Psalm 126:4-6.

Do not hold back, when the Holy Spirit prompts you. Acts 8:4, 5.

The toughest looking people often have the softest heart.

We can- not tell what kind of a heart a man has. 1Samuel 16:7.

As the Holy Spirit leads, guides and prompts, keep sowing the Word of God.

Relax and do it with liberty and a smile and don't worry if someone says, "Not interested".

Most will be willing, and very thankfully accept the Good News.

This is the day of salvation. 2Corinthians 6:2.

God is pouring out His Spirit on all flesh, so that as many as possible will be saved. Acts 2:17, 18, Ezekiel 33:11, Ezekiel 18:32, Jeremiah 36:3, 2Peter 3:9, 1Timothy 2:4, Acts 17:30, Titus 2:11, Acts 10:35, John 3:16, Isaiah 45:22.

Ask people if they would like you to pray for them. Most of them will be willing and thankful. Pray as the Holy Spirit leads you and pray for their needs to be met. Pray for healing.

**Each believer has a gift from God, particular to them,** of being able to share the Gospel of the Good news of Jesus with others. Ask the Lord of the harvest to show you what it is. Matthew 9:37, 38.

Where possible, go with a friend to scatter the Good News. Luke 10:2.

**Believe the Word of God for the miraculous;** for miracles of healing, deliverance, salvation. 1Corinthians 2:4, 5, 1Thessalonians 1:5, Matthew 10:1, 7, 8, Luke 7:22, John 14:12, Mark 16:17-18, 20, Zechariah 4:6, Matthew 4:23, Matthew 9:35, Matthew 12:15, Matthew 14:14, Matthew 15:30, Acts 8:4-6.