

**JESUS  
SAID**

# Jesus Said

John 17:6 - 8

6 "I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. 7 Now they have known that all things which You have given Me are from You. 8 For I have given to them the words which You have given Me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came forth from You; and they have believed that You sent Me.

John 6:68

But Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

# Jesus Said

Week 1: Specks and Planks.

Week 2: Who is your neighbor.

Week 3: The Simplicity of the Spirit.

Week 4: The Kingdom is like a mustard seed.

Week 5: What do you treasure.

Week 6: Wine and Wineskins.

Week 7: Parable of the Sower.

# Parable of the Sower

Matt 13:1 - 9

1 On the same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the sea. 2 And great multitudes were gathered together to Him, so that He got into a boat and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore.

3 Then He spoke many things to them in parables, saying: "Behold, a sower went out to sow. 4 And as he sowed, some seed fell by the wayside; and the birds came and devoured them. 5 Some fell on stony places, where they did not have much earth; and they immediately sprang up because they had no depth of earth. 6 But when the sun was up they were scorched, and because they had no root they withered away. 7 And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked them. 8 But others fell on good ground and yielded a crop: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. 9 He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

# Parable of the Sower

Matt 13:18 - 23

18 “Therefore hear the parable of the sower: 19 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. This is he who received seed by the wayside. 20 But he who received the seed on stony places, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; 21 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. 22 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. 23 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.”

# Becoming a Sower

Matt 13:3, “Behold, a sower went out to sow...”

Mark 4:14, “The sower sows the Word.”

# Seeds

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Our future is in our seed; the voice our future hears is the voice of the seeds of the Kingdom within us.

# Seeds

Every seed bears after its own kind — Gen 1:11

# Seeds

All seed is limitless in potential.

Without prior knowledge, no one, regardless of his or her intelligence, could possibly imagine that from the small seed could come the tree, and then the full fruit.

*- George Taylor -*

# Seeds

For seeds to become who they fully are, they must first die

— John 12:24

The pumpkin seed wanted to claim "pumpkin-hood" as it were, because it has the DNA and the potential, but without the planting and germination process, (i.e., dying and coming forth as the mature fruit) it could not be a pumpkin.

- *George Taylor* -

# Soil

Prov 4:23

‘Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life.’

‘Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life.’

# Soil

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“Hearing you will hear and shall not understand, and seeing you will see and not perceive; for the hearts *OF THIS PEOPLE* have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, and their eyes are closed...”

# Soil

## 2. The Stony Ground (The full heart)

Matt 13:20 - 21

20 But he who received the seed on stony places, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; 21 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.

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‘The anxiety that comes from chasing after wealth, or the chasing after the things that the world's system says are valuable — believing it will bring the peace within us that only comes from God. The distraction of chasing something that always moves. Being trapped in personal ambition, leading to a divided heart, which can ultimately suffocate the kingdom possibilities within us.’

# Soil

## 4. Good Ground (The hungry heart)

Matt 13:23

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.”

Luke 8:15 (NIV)

“... who hear the word, retain it, and by persevering produce a crop.”

# Soil

1 Cor 3:7

“I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow.”

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