

Spreading the Word of God

The Word of God is to be spread freely and abundantly.

- ▶ "A sower went out to sow his seed..." (Luke 8:5, ESV)
- ▶ "Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God." (Luke 8:11, ESV)

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- ▶ The hard heart
- ▶ "...And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the air devoured it." (Luke 8:5, ESV)
- ▶ "The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved." (Luke 8:12, ESV)

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- ▶The fickle heart
- ▶*"And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture." (Luke 8:6, ESV)*
- ▶*"And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away." (Luke 8:13, ESV)*

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- ▶The cluttered heart
- ▶*"And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it." (Luke 8:7, ESV)*
- ▶*"And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature." (Luke 8:14, ESV)*

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- ▶The receptive heart
- ▶*"And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold..." (Luke 8:8, ESV)*
- ▶*"As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience." (Luke 8:15, ESV)*
