

Series: The Gospel of Mark

“The Parable of the Soils”

(Sunday Morning April 10th, 2022)

Passage: Mark 4:1-9

a. First, Jesus Made This Shift to Parables to R_____ His Truth

b. Second, Jesus Made This Shift to Parables to C_____ His Truth

Matt 13:12-13 “12 For whoever has, to him more shall be given, and he will have an abundance; but whoever does not have, even what he has shall be taken away from him. 13 “Therefore I speak to them in parables; because while seeing they do not see, and while hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand.”

I. The R_____ of the Sower

1) Jesus H_____ is the Sower

*Matt 13:37 “And He said, ‘The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man’
Luke 19:10 “For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.”*

2) Jesus’ D_____ are Also Sowers

John 20:21 “...as the Father has sent Me, I also send you”

a. He Wants Us to Sow P_____

Luke 14:23 “...’Go out into the highways and along the hedges, and compel them to come in, so that my house may be filled”

Mark 16:15 “...’Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature” (NKJV)

b. He Wants Us to Sow P_____

Ps 126:6 “He who goes to and fro weeping, carrying his bag of seed, shall indeed come again with a shout of joy, bringing his sheaves with him”

c. He Wants Us to Sow P_____

Gal 6:9 “Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary”

II. The R_____ of the Seed

1) This Seed is P_____

a. This Seed (The Word of God) Has the Ability to B_____ Us to Life

1 Pet 1:23 “for you have been born again not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, that is, through the living and enduring word of God”

John 5:39 “You search the scriptures, because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is these that bear witness of Me”

b. This Seed (The Word of God) Has the Ability to S_____ Our Life

1 Pet 1:23 "for you have been born again not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, that is, through the LIVING and enduring word of God." (Emphasis Added)

2) This Seed is P_____

Heb 4:12 "For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart"

A seed can be so powerful that it can b_____ t_____ the hardest of surfaces.

III. The R_____ of the Soil

1) The S_____ Heart

Religion without Jesus is extremely dangerous, because it gives people a f_____ s_____ of s_____.

2) The S_____ Heart

The problem, of course, is that they have no roots; they do not have a r_____ and g_____ commitment to Jesus Christ.

1 John 2:19 "They went out from us, but they were not really of us; for if they had been of us, they would have remained with us; but they went out, so that it would be shown that they all are not of us"

3) The S_____ Heart

I hope you noticed that this person's problem is threefold; this person has a problem with: w_____, w_____ and w_____.

Matt 6:24 "...You cannot serve God and wealth."

James 4:4 "...friendship with the world is hostility toward God...and whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God"

4) The S_____ Heart

The most anyone could hope for was an 8 to 1 yield in Biblical times, but here we have a _____ percent, a _____ percent and a _____ percent yield.

Rom 1:13 "(I)...have planned to come to you...(The Romans)...so that I may obtain some fruit among you also, even as among the rest of the Gentiles"

Heb 13:15 "...let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that give thanks to His name"

Col 1:10 "...walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work..."

Gal 5:22-23 "22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control;..."

Isa 43:2-3 "2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they will not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be scorched, nor will the flame burn you. 3 For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior;..."

2 Cor 5:8 "To be absent from the body is to be at home with the Lord"

