

DISCUSSION GUIDE

PARABLE OF THE SOWER

MATTHEW 13: 1-9, 18-23

QUESTIONS FOR KIDS



1. What four places did the seeds fall onto?
2. What happened to the seeds that fell on the path? What happened to the seeds that fell on the shallow soil? What happened to the seeds that fell among the weeds and thorns? What happened to the seeds that fell into good soil?
3. What does the soil represent? What do the seeds represent?
4. If our hearts are like the different types of soil, and the seeds are like God's truth, what type of soil is in your heart?
5. How can you help God's truth grow in your heart to be fruitful? How can you help someone else's heart become good soil that will let God's truth grow?

QUESTIONS FOR YOUTH



1. Where are the three locations that the seed fell?
2. What does the seed represent?
3. Where are you in the story? How receptive to hearing God's word are you?
4. This week, spend some time in prayer asking God to help His word take root in your life.

QUESTIONS FOR ADULTS



1. Do you find that parables speak to you? Or not so much? Why?
2. What do "cares of the world" mean to you? What is your "care of the world"?
3. Describe someone you know who is sown on good soil.
4. Do you see the parable telling you to do something? If so, what is it?