

The Gospel of Matthew

The Parable of the Sower and the Seed

The Sower (v. 3a)

The Seed (v. 3a, 19-23)

The Soil (v. 4-8)

- Road side (v. 4)
- Rocky places (v. 5-6)
- Among the thorns (v. 7)
- Good soil (v. 8)

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The Soul (v. 19-23)

- Hard heart (v. 19)
- Shallow heart (v. 20-21)
- Worldly heart (v. 22)
- Receptive heart (v. 23)

Four meditations on the parable

- The seed is always the same
- The soil is all of the same material
- The majority of what is sown does not bare fruit
- The farmer/sower makes the soil good