

BROTHERS IN ARMS

BIBLE STUDY 02.28.2022 - A TEACHABLE
SOIL BECOMES A COACHABLE SOUL



Players to Watch

- THE SEED
- THE SOWER
- THE SOIL

What the league is saying about tonight's matchup

13 That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the lake. 2 Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat in it, while all the people stood on the shore. 3 Then he told them many things in parables, saying: "A farmer went out to sow his seed. 4 As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. 5 Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. 6 But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. 7 Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. 8 Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. 9 Whoever has ears, let them hear."

Matthew 13: 1-9

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4 Again Jesus began to teach by the lake. The crowd that gathered around him was so large that he got into a boat and sat in it out on the lake, while all the people were along the shore at the water's edge. 2 He taught them many things by parables, and in his teaching said: 3 "Listen! A farmer went out to sow his seed. 4 As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. 5 Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. 6 But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. 7 Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants, so that they did not bear grain. 8 Still other seed fell on good soil. It came up, grew and produced a crop, some multiplying thirty, some sixty, some a hundred times." 9 Then Jesus said, "Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear."

Mark 4 : 1-9

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8 After this, Jesus traveled about from one town and village to another, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God. The Twelve were with him, 2 and also some women who had been cured of evil spirits and diseases: Mary (called Magdalene) from whom seven demons had come out; 3 Joanna the wife of Chuza, the manager of Herod's household; Susanna; and many others. These women were helping to support them out of their own means.4 While a large crowd was gathering and people were coming to Jesus from town after town, he told this parable: 5 "A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path; it was trampled on, and the birds ate it up. 6 Some fell on rocky ground, and when it came up, the plants withered because they had no moisture. 7 Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up with it and choked the plants. 8 Still other seed fell on good soil. It came up and yielded a crop, a hundred times more than was sown."When he said this, he called out, "Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear."

Luke 4 : 1-8

The SEED is the Word of God

CAREER STATS

- Profound truth
- Kingdom Principles
- It contains God's Power (It is the key to unlocking everything else)
- God created everything **with the ability to procreate through the law of seeds**
- **Intended for everyone**

31 Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. 32 And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." (John 8 :31,32)

The SOWER is God

DID YOU KNOW?

- **Omniscient** – Having complete or unlimited knowledge, awareness, or understanding; perceiving all things.
- **Omnipresent** – Present everywhere at the same time.
- **Omnipotent** – Almighty or infinite in power. Having great or unlimited authority or power.

The SOIL is the condition of Our Heart

SOIL #1 - "THE PATH"

Scouting Report

- Hears the Word but doesn't understand
- Hardened heart (trampled)
- No desire to learn more - closed minded - unreceptive
- The devil rips away the seed before it can have any effect

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SOIL #2 - "ROCKY PLACES"

Scouting Report

- Hears the Word and understands
- Shallow (no root)
- Surface enthusiasm
- Shares excitement and belief with others but without roots they fade away at first sign of difficult circumstances or persecution. (time of testing)
- Scorched by the sun (can't handle the heat)

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SOIL #3 - "THORNY GROUND"

Scouting Report

- Hears the Word but refuses to give up their love of the “world”
- Concerned with what others think
- Worry rules their life and chokes out their faith
- Greed and materialistic things occupy their focus
- Seeking to live a life luxury over a life of righteousness
- Shared the soil with the thorns and the thorns choked out the plant

Wrap-up

- The condition of our heart determines how we receive God's Word
- Not all people that hear the Word will understand and believe
- This parable opens up the door to the rest of Jesus' teachings
- Growth and change
- Once the seed of the word of God is sown, only time will show how a person's faith will grow and develop (fruit)
- If no fruit is seen, the issue is with the soil and never with the seed.

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SOIL #4 - "GOOD SOIL"

Scouting Report

- Hears the Word and received it
- Lives it (bears fruit)
- Endures with honesty and goodness
- Humility and patience through growth
- Seeks continual growth and increases fruit