

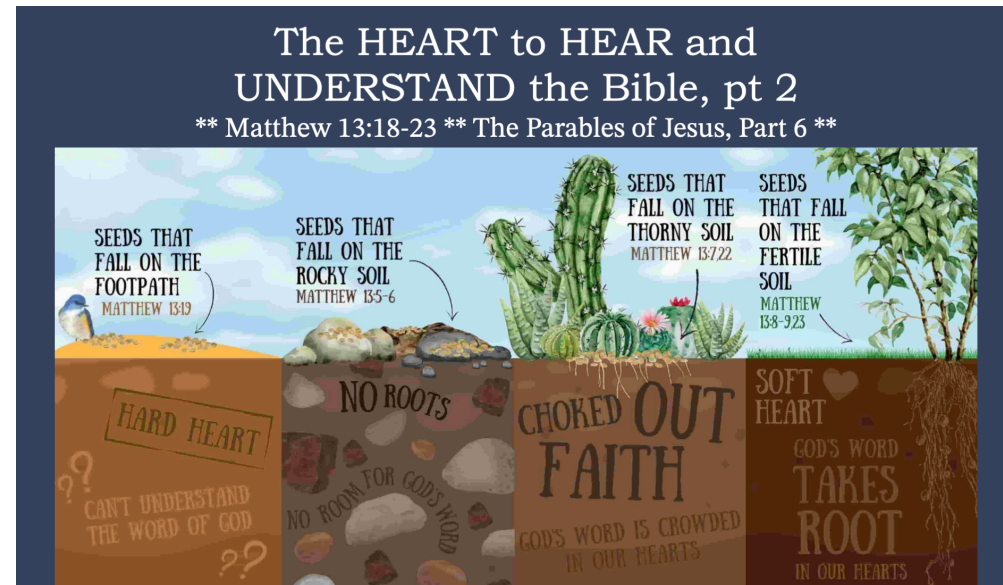
(4.) C: _____ for me to obey?

(5.) K: _____ about God for which to praise Him?

(6.) S: **Stumbling block** to avoid?

4. _____ **Heart, Luke 8:8, 15**

- The seed on good ground brings forth fruit:
 - A. Thirty fold: Hear, read and do the Word
 - B. Sixty fold: Meditate & memorize the Word.
 - C. Hundred fold: _____ & _____ the Word.



The Heart to Hear & Understand the Bible

Luke 8:4-18

The Parables of Jesus, part 5

- A parable is a story of an earthly truth, cast alongside a heavenly truth to teach a universal truth. Parables essentially teach one great truth that take hold of us and call us to action for Jesus and His Kingdom.
- The big idea of the “Parable of the Sower” (Matt.13:18): we must have the right heart to hear and understand God’s Word and bring forth fruit unto God. Here are four key heart attitudes that will result in such fruitfulness. Cultivate a:

1. Believing Heart, Luke 8:5, 11-12

2. Tender Heart, Luke 8:6, 13

- This pictures how the **external pressures** of life will affect a superficial response to God’s Word: tribulation, affliction, persecution & temptations are real!

3. _____ Heart, Luke 8:7,14

A. The seed on thorny ground is strangled or choked: there’s no room for the seed to grow.

B. This person is **overly committed with** _____.

C. The three thorns Jesus exposes are (Matt 13:22; Mark 4:19; Luke 8:14):

- 1.) _____
- 2.) _____
- 3.) _____

D. Practical application! Cut through the distractions and get into the word. Put on your “*SPECKS*.”

(1.) S: _____ to confess & forsake?

(2.) P: _____ for me to claim?

(3.) E: _____ for me to follow?