

Text: Luke 8:1-21  
Topics: Seeds, Soils, Fruit  
Series: That You Know Jesus

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## 1 Seed, 4 Soils. Any Fruit?

### Two Reasons for Teaching Parables

A. Reveal truth to some

“Whoever has ears to hear, let him hear”

B. Conceal truth from others

#1 Hard Soil (v. 4 & 12)

#2 Rocky Soil (v. 6 & 13)

#3 Crowded Soil/Thorns (v. 7 & 14)

#4 Good Soil (v. 8 & 15)

Lamps are to reveal truth. Tell it!

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People are available Sunday mornings at the conclusion of each service to pray confidentially for your concerns. Simply come to the front as others are leaving ~ look for those wearing name tags. You can also email us your prayer requests.

Application Questions - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.

1. Luke 8:1-3 & Matthew 13:1-2 describes how Jesus reaches others & how he teaches the disciples. Read these verses & make observations of Jesus' ministry/disciple-making style? What's the setting? Where is he? Sermon style? Etc. What is the disciple-making way of our local church and families who call MBC home?
2. What is a parable? Who is the sower representing in the story? What are the 4 types of Soil? What do we know about the seed?
3. What question do the disciples ask Jesus in verse 9? What observations does his reply cause you to think about?
4. What are the weeds that prevent growth and fruitfulness in a person's life?
5. What kind of response would Jesus like people to have to this parable?
6. What do you think Jesus would like you to do in response to this story?
7. Personal - What kind of soil are you? Are you content being the soil you are now? Consider praying and talking with others about your soil.