

Plant and Pray: Mark 4:1-20 Small Group Questions

Jesus is the **sower** (and he calls us to be sowers). The **seed** is the message of his kingdom (or gospel message). The **soil** is people's responses to the message of the kingdom (gospel).

The message of Jesus' kingdom is so incredible. Why do you think not everyone responds positively to it?

If only God can change "unproductive soil" to "productive soil," then what is our part in helping people's hearts be receptive to Jesus' kingdom message?

How does judging the "soil" of other people's hearts prevent you from sharing the gospel message? What steps can you take to overcome this?

Jesus, in his desire for a great harvest, sows his seed (kingdom message/gospel) generously over all soils. Disciples of Christ are called to do the same. How do you follow Christ's example in this? In what ways, are you challenged to do differently?

The Prayer Room will be open starting Wednesday May 9th. Go to calvarybaptist.ca and then click on Prayer to sign up. What is your responsibility as a disciple of Jesus to be a person of prayer? Are you challenged as a small group to pray any differently than you have been?

How were you personally challenged by the Parable of the Sower?