

## Disciple

### *The Word of the Kingdom*

Mark 4:1-10

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*The Short Stories of Jesus*

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*The Parable of the Sower*

Mark 4:1-20, Mark 3:7-11, Isaiah 6:9-11

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*The Word of the Kingdom*

1) The \_\_\_\_\_ . . . Is The \_\_\_\_\_ Of The \_\_\_\_\_.

When anyone hears the word of the kingdom. . .

(Matthew 13:19, NASB)

The seed is the word of God.

(Luke 8:11)

2) The \_\_\_\_\_ . . . Has \_\_\_\_\_.

John 3:1-8/ John 17:3

The idea of the transforming power of the word is not just the idea that propaganda is effective in motivating people to action: every revolutionary believes that. It is rather the idea that the message Jesus brought was, like seed, something creative, producing new life—the new life of the kingdom of God . . . The effectiveness of the 'word of the kingdom' is that it has the power to bring cleanness and renewal to the heart, producing that inward revolution which is the key to any real revolution.

(David Wenham, *The Parables of Jesus*)

For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.

(1Peter 1:23)

3) The \_\_\_\_\_ Of The \_\_\_\_\_ . . . \_\_\_\_\_ On Our \_\_\_\_\_ .  
Mark 4:30-32

The seed on good soil stands for those with a noble and good heart, who hear the word, retain it, and by persevering produce a crop. (Luke 8:15)

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### *Two Key Questions*

1) \_\_\_\_\_ . . . Are \_\_\_\_\_ ?

From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him. (John 6:66)

2) \_\_\_\_\_ You \_\_\_\_\_ . . . Of The \_\_\_\_\_ ?

"Consider carefully what you hear," he continued. "With the measure you use, it will be measured to you—and even more. Whoever has will be given more; whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them." (Mark 4:24-25)

If the crowds did not obey what light they had received, they would never receive more.  
(Keener, C. S. (1993). *The IVP Bible Background Commentary*)