

The Parable of the Sower: July 12th 2020

Today in Church School we explored the Parable of the Sower. We talked about different conditions plants (and people) need in order to survive and thrive, and ways we can take care of ourselves for our own physical, emotional and spiritual growth.

We invite you to look through the following activities and try them out with your family!

1) Plant some seeds!

Supplies:

Egg carton (cut so you have 4 egg spots)

Stones

Weeds (i.e. a couple of dandelion stems/ flowers)

Soil

Seeds (try sunflower seeds still in their shell, or pumpkin seeds)

Directions:

- Fill one part of the egg container with stones.
- Fill one part with dandelion stems.
- Fill one part with good soil.
- Leave one empty.

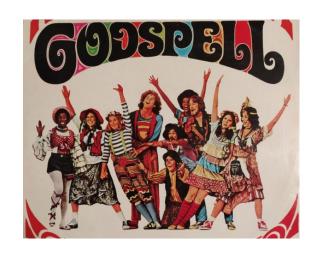


- Place 1 seed in each of the 4 parts --- one among the rocks, one among the weeds, one in the soil, and one in the empty part.
- Eat the seed in the empty part to signify the birds coming to eat the seeds.
- Water the seeds and put the container in a sunny spot in your home.
- Water the seeds regularly (every day or two).
- Wait and watch to see which seeds will sprout and grow.

2) Watch Godspell!

Watch the 1973 musical Godspell for a dramatic telling of the Parable of the Sower:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2BLUKQB3kzl



3) Photo Scavenger Hunt!

Go on a nature walk and take pictures of the following items:

- o 3 different birds (bonus points if you are able to identify them!)
- o A purple flower
- A weed
- A stone or rock
- A yellow flower
- o An animal
- Water
- A gardening tool

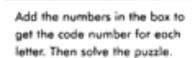
I'd love to see your pictures or hear about your scavenger hunt! Please send them to hkeachie@theredeemer.ca

4) In the next pages, you'll find some activity and colouring sheets. Please feel free to print them out and complete at home!

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-Luke 8





Formers plant seeds in all types of sails. Fertilizer is used in order to grow a good crop. But the question is still there—will it grow? Christians spread the Word of God to all types of listeners. What is necessary for the seed of faith to grow in each person's heart?

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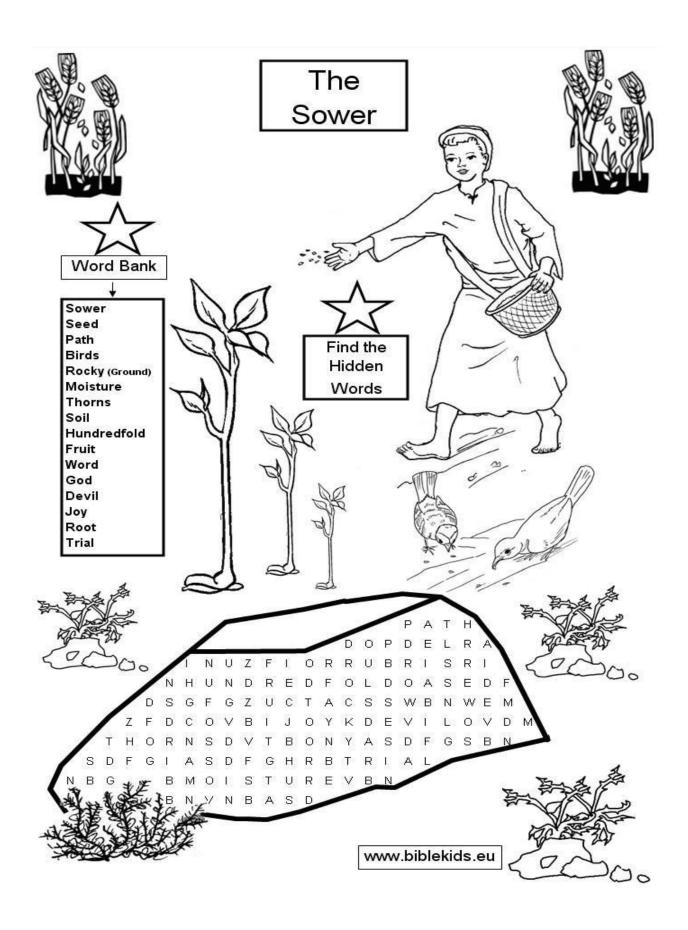
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But the one who received the seed that fell on good soil is the man who hears the word and understands it. Matthew 13:23a Based on Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 (NIV)



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Cut out all the pieces. Glue the The parable of the sower picture down on construction paper. Glue your seeds in the ground. Draw a small green vine sprouting from the seed.

Matthew 13:23- But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

