

Getting Rid of Weeds

God, the Master Gardener, carefully considers our uniqueness and wants us to produce good fruit. He begins with a tiny seed. The seed is the Word of God.

Challenge:

Pluck the unnecessary weeds from some of the scrambled words below. Rearrange the remaining letters of all words and use them to complete Jesus' explanation of the Parable of the Sower. (Some words don't have "weeds" in them.)

- | | | |
|---------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 1. esahr | 9. tsohr | 17. halwte |
| 2. enauntrsd | 10. edbtwuloeser | 18. tflinuruuf |
| 3. wwseoendns | 11. oiuenspcret | 19. wfeeledsl |
| 4. edse | 12. yscluwqediek | 20. lsio |
| 5. ckwreoeyds | 13. owh | 21. drdewcposseue |
| 6. seamwend | 14. stwoeherdns | 22. giylndei |
| 7. vrseicee | 15. dwdreowse | 23. yiexwdstes |
| 8. otwdoesre | 16. erdwweoisres | 24. wwdhtaese |



Listen then to what the parable of the sower means: When anyone (1) _____ the message about the kingdom and does not (2) _____ it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was (3) _____ in his heart. This is the (4) _____ sown along the path. The one who received the seed that fell on (5) _____ places is the (6) _____ who hears the word and at once (7) _____ it with joy. But since he has no (8) _____, he lasts only a (9) _____ time. When (10) _____ or (11) _____ comes because of the word, he (12) _____ falls away. The one (13) _____ received the seed that fell among the (14) _____ is the man who hears the (15) _____, but the (16) _____ of this life and the deceitfulness of (17) _____ choke it, making it (18) _____. But the one who received the seed that (19) _____ on good (20) _____ is the man who hears the word and understands it. He (21) _____ a crop, (22) _____ a hundred, (23) _____ or thirty times (24) _____ was sown.



Matthew 13:18-23