



# **THE STORY OF THE FOUR SOILS.**

## **(Luke 8:1-15).**

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### **The Parable Told (1-8).**

### **The Parable Explained (9-15).**

#### **i) The Path**

- Am I uninterested when I hear God's word?
- Do I tend to quickly forget what I've heard?
- Do I dismiss God's word without really considering it?
- Do I rarely let God's word challenge my thinking?

#### **ii) The Rocky Soil**

- Am I enthusiastic about God's word, but quick to give up when following Jesus becomes difficult?
- Does my trust in God depend on my circumstances?
- Am I surprised or discouraged when following Jesus is costly?
- Are there areas of my life where I resist God's word?

iii) The Thorny Soil

- Am I easily distracted from God's word?
- Are worries crowding my life?
- Am I more focussed on money, success, comfort or fun than God's kingdom?
- Do I rarely reflect on God's word after church or growth group?

iv) The Good Soil

- Do I listen carefully when God's word is read and taught?
- Do I think about how it applies to my life?
- Do I hold on to God's word in difficult times?
- Can I see God's word changing the way I think, speak and live?

**Become a Good-Soil Listener.**

**MY NEXT STEP:**

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