Parable of The Sower

What is a parable? When Jesus taught he often used parables. These are short stories that teach an important truth. A story to help us understand God's ways.

Sometimes the people would understand the meaning of the teaching; sometimes Jesus would have to explain it afterwards.

Read…

Today's story can be found in Mark 4:1-20

The seed fell in 4 different places. Can you remember what they were?

Path, rocky ground, among thorns, good soil

Jesus explains that God has a message for us and there are 4 ways people respond to his message.

- Choose not to listen
- Listen to him but then change their minds
- Listen but then get distracted by other things
- Take it into their heart and believe

We want our hearts to be like the good soil which will hear God's message and accept it.

Watch….

Youtube- Parable of the Farmer and the seeds by Saddleback Kids

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IZEO_Ls2ERs

Activity

Fold a piece of paper into 4. In each box draw a picture of the 4 places the seed landed. You could find some twigs, soil, leaves to stick on the picture!

Activity

Ask an adult if you have any seeds at home or if you can buy some. Plant the seeds and watch it grow. As you care for it and wait patiently for it to grow remember we want to be like good soil.

Activity

Go outside and see if you can find the 4 different areas mentioned in the story?

Find a path, a rocky area, weeds/thorns and good soil.

Memory verse

"The seeds that fell on good ground are the people who hear and welcome the message." Mark 4:20

Can you learn this verse? Think of some actions to help you remember it or write it on a piece of paper and put it somewhere to help you remember it through this week.

Prayer

God wants us to be like the good soil. He wants us to be ready to hear from him when he talks to us and tells us he loves us.

Is your heart ready to listen to God?

Spend some time sitting quietly or listening to some worship songs.

Ask God to speak to you and to help you to be a good listener.