

# The Mission of the Kingdom, Part 1

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## I. Introduction.

A. Text: Matthew 13.

B. Jesus taught this disciples certain things they needed to know to complete their mission.

## II. The parable of the sower.

A. There are four kinds of seed.

1. Rocky soil.

2. Thorns.

3. No roots.

4. Good ground.

B. The seed is the word of the kingdom.

C. Anyone who sows the seed is the sower.

D. This is a parable about the human heart.

1. There is an unresponsive heart.

2. There is an impulsive heart.

3. There is a preoccupied heart.

4. There is a prepared heart.

### Application Questions:

1. What does the parable of the sower teach us about preconditions for receiving the gospel?

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2. How can we respond differently in our evangelism in light of the different hearts we preach to?

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3. Where is your heart at? How can you prepare your heart for anything that God would have you hear?

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