Parable of the Sower

Scripture: Luke 8:4-15

Sunday, August 3, 2014

Corroborating Texts: James 1:21

REDEEMER FELLOWSHIP

Overview

We need to hear the word and respond to the word in faith.

Discussion Questions

- 1. What are the things that you are most prone to forget to do? Why is that? What about the gospel and the Word of God? How are we prone to forget? Why are we prone to forget it?
- 2. What is a parable? How does Jesus use parables in his ministry? Has someone used a story to teach you something? How was this effective for persuading you?
- 3. Why do you think this parable was explained to the disciples but not to everyone? What was the purpose in this? Look at verses 8 and 10. Does anything in these verses explain this?
- 4. Look at verse 12. This one is difficult to perceive, but it happens all the time. As believers what do we do here? What can we do?
- 5. Look at verse 13. What are some times of testing that you have gone through? How did you respond to them? What does that say about your faith?
- 6. Look at verse 14. This one is dangerous. What cares, riches, or pleasures tempt people? How do many respond to these temptations? When we see people that fit verses 12–14, what do we do?
- 7. Look at v.15. What are the characteristics of those who heard and responded to the word? How have you held the word fast? How does fruitfulness comfort us concerning assurance of our salvation?
- 8. What do we learn about who God is in this parable? How do we apply this parable to our lives and the lives of others?
- 9. Look at James 1:21. How does putting away filthiness help in receiving the word?