

HOW TO HEAR GOD SPEAK QUESTIONS...

7-26-15

Luke 8:8 - Jesus: *"He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"*

The farmer is God.

The seed is the word.

The soil is your attitude toward hearing from God.

1. BE WILLING TO BE _____, EAGER, AND RECEPTIVE.

Luke 8:5 - *"A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path; it was trampled on, and the birds of the air ate it up."*

Luke 8:12 - *"Those along the footpath are the ones who hear, and then the devil comes along and takes away the word from their hearts, so they cannot believe and be saved."*

The hardened, narrow path = A _____ **MIND**

Three causes:

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2. BE WILLING TO _____ DOWN TO LISTEN.

Luke 8:6 - *"Other seed fell on shallow soil with underlying rock. This seed began to grow, but soon it withered and died for lack of moisture." (NLT)*

Luke 8:13 - "Those on the rock are the ones who receive the word with joy when they hear it, but they have no root. They believe for a while, but in the time of testing they fall away.

The shallow soil = A _____ MIND

3. BE WILLING TO _____ DISTRACTIONS.

Luke 8:7 - "Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up with it and choked the plants.

Luke 8:14 - "The seed that fell among weeds stands for those who hear, but as they go on their way, they are choked by life's worries, riches, and pleasures, and they don't mature."

The soil with weeds = A _____ MIND

1 Kings 19:12 - "... And after the fire came a gentle whisper."

4. BE WILLING TO _____ WHAT HE SAYS _____ HE SAYS IT.

Luke 8:15 - But the seed on good soil stands for those with a noble and good heart, who hear the word, retain it, and by persevering produce a crop.

Luke 8:15 - "The seeds that fell in good soil stand for those who hear the message and retain it in a good and obedient heart, and they persist until they bear fruit."
(GN)

Luke 8:15 - "... They listen to God's words and cling to them and steadily spread them to others who also soon believe." (LB)

The good soil = AN _____ MIND

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF HEARING GOD?

- IT _____ I'M IN GOD'S FAMILY.

John 10:27 - *My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow. . .*

- IT _____ ME FROM MISTAKES.

Proverbs 3:5-6 - *Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;⁶ in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.*

- IT _____ PERSONAL SUCCESS.

Psalm 32:8 - *I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you.*