Series: Following Jesus July 13, 2025 **The Heart of the Matter**

Mark 4:1-20

Key Point: Our willingness to hear and acknowledge the need for God.
In the parable of the Sower (Mark 4:1-20), what are the four types of soils?
What does the <u>soil</u> represent?
What does the <u>seed</u> represent?
What does the <u>bird</u> represent? (Vv. 3, 15)
What is the eternal value of the good soil? (v.8)
I said in my message, the seed is always the same, the difference is the
a) the desire to grow.
b) the will to live.
c) the heart.
d) the love of God.

Fill in the corresponding verses that interpret the parable

Soil Type	Parable	Interpretation	Explanation
Hard soil	vv. 2-4		Don't allow Satan to snatch away the Word.
Rocky soil	vv. 5-6		Be rooted in the truth.
Thorny soil	v.7		Want what God values, not what the world values.
Good soil	v.8		Continue to bear fruit.

What separates the good soil from the other three?		
What necessary weeding do you need to do to remove things that could choke out your love for Christ?		
Your takeaway?		