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Kings & Kingdoms:

Have you ever had any experience or success growing plants? Describe below:

Jesus Himself explained this parable. According to Jesus, who is the sower?
1) Me.
2) God.
3) The Bible.
4) The Angels.
What is the seed?
1) Food.
2) Wisdom. 3) Prayer.
4) God's Word.
What does the soil represent?
1) Our hearts.
2) Our minds.
3) Our churches.
4) Our homes.
How would you describe your heart?
1) Fertile ground.
2) Shallow and full of thorns.
3) In need of a gardener.
4) Hopelessly hard and stony.
When have you planted seeds for the kingdom of God? Explain:
When have you seen growth from your witness? Explain:
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## The Sower BETWEENTHELINES

Take some time to read the story of the sower in Luke 8:4-15.

## HAT DOES IT SAY?

What was the sower, or	farmer, doing in this parable?

1) Plowing.

3) Planting.

2) Harvesting.

4) Watering.

#### In what places did the seed fall?

1) Rocky soil.

- 3) Shallow soil.
- 5) Fertile soil.

2) Sandy soil.

4) Muddy soil.

## What things interfered with its growth?

1) Rain.

- 4) Bugs.
- 7) Heat.

2) Rocks.

5) Disease.

3) Thorns.

6) Birds.

What crop resulted? (See Luke 8:8.)

## HAT DOES IT MEAN?

## Why did Jesus tell this parable to the crowd?

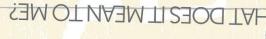
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WITH YOUR OTHER JOURNAL ENTRIES. KEEP THIS PAGE IN YOUR BIBLE OR IN A NOTEBOOK

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