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“Sowing with Purpose:

The Power of the Word and the Mission of Gideons International!”

Luke 8:4–15 • Isaiah 55:11 • 1 Peter 1:22–25

The Parable of the Sower (Luke 8:4–15)

Part 1: The Seed is the Word of God

The first truth we must grasp is this: the seed is always _____!

The Word is living, active, and never returns void (Heb. 4:12; Isa. 55:11).

God’s Word never _____.

The Word of God is _____. (1 Pet. 1:22–25)

Someone _____ the Word with you.

Part 2. The Soil: The Human Heart

1. The Path – The _____ Heart (Luke 8:5)
2. The Rocky Ground – The _____ Heart (Luke 8:6)
3. The Thorny Soil – The _____ Heart (Luke 8:7)
4. The Good Soil – The _____ Heart (Luke 8:8)

Hearts can change—God prepares the soil.

- A hardened heart can be _____.
- A shallow heart can be _____.
- A districted heart can be _____.

Part 3: The Gideons International: Modern-Day _____

Global association of over _____ Christian business and professional men and their Auxiliary wives.

Since 1908, we’ve distributed over ___ billion Scriptures in _____ countries.

Scriptures containing the New Testament, Psalms, & Proverbs are printed in _____ different languages.

The _____ is Our _____

Every Bible placed or distributed is a seed with _____ potential.

The Word of God, when sown faithfully, _____ lives.

Part 4: Our Role in the Mission

_____ carry the seed of the Word.

- _____ Scripture
- _____ Truth
- _____ the Gospel
- _____ to Others

_____ will bring the growth. (1 Corinthians 3:6)

Part 5: How you can partner with The Gideons International

- _____ for the lost and opportunities to share God’s Word.
- Personal monetary donations
 - Scriptures cost about \$1.50 each
- Become a Friend of Gideons
- Become a Gideon
- Join us for our upcoming practical workshop here at BRC:

Conversations: A Simple Approach to Sharing the Gospel

Personal Reflection:

What kind of soil are you today?

God is _____ with your soil.

Conclusion: Sow Boldly, Trust Deeply

Let’s _____ make the Gospel our mission!

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Part 1: The Seed is the Word of God

The first truth we must grasp is this: the seed is always good!

The Word is living, active, and never returns void (Heb. 4:12; Isa. 55:11).

God’s Word never fails.

The Word of God is imperishable. (1 Pet. 1:22–25)

Someone shared the Word with you.

Part 2. The Soil: The Human Heart

5. The Path – The Hardened Heart (Luke 8:5)
6. The Rocky Ground – The Shallow Heart (Luke 8:6)
7. The Thorny Soil – The Distracted Heart (Luke 8:7)
8. The Good Soil – The Receptive Heart (Luke 8:8)

Hearts can change—God prepares the soil.

- A hardened heart can be softened.
- A shallow heart can be deepened.
- A distracted heart can be cleared.

Part 3: The Gideons International: Modern-Day Sowers

Global association of over 240,000 Christian business and professional men and their Auxiliary wives.

Since 1908, we’ve distributed over 2 billion Scriptures in 200+ countries.

Scriptures containing the New Testament, Psalms, & Proverbs are printed in 110 different languages.

The Gospel is Our Mission

Every Bible placed or distributed is a seed with eternal potential.

The Word of God, when sown faithfully, transforms lives.

Part 4: Our Role in the Mission

You carry the seed of the Word.

- Share Scripture
- Speak Truth
- Live the Gospel
- Witness to Others

God will bring the growth. (1 Corinthians 3:6)

Part 5: How you can partner with The Gideons International

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Personal Reflection:

What kind of soil are you today?

God is not finished with your soil.

Conclusion: Sow Boldly, Trust Deeply

Let’s ALL make the Gospel our mission!