

Yr 2 Parents' Cheat Sheet

Parable of the Sower Luke 8:5-15

1. Who is the farmer and what is the seed in the parable of the Sower?

God is the farmer and the seed is his Word. It is what is written in the Bible and it is what helps us to grow closer and closer to him in love and joy. We have to take care of that seed or it will not grow.

2. What is the soil in the parable of the Sower?

It is our hearts that are prepared to listen and hold on to God's Word. Just like flowers and plants that need water and sun and fertilizer to grow strong, our hearts need to be places where God's Word (the seed) can grow strong. If our hearts are full of sin, anger, selfishness and other things that are not from God, it will be very hard for us to listen to God's Word and make it part of our lives.

3. What do we need to do to make God's Word grow in our heart?

If our hearts are not taken care of by reading the Bible, praying to God every day and worshipping with other people, we will have a hard time taking God's Word in and letting it help us live as God wants us to. This is true for little hearts and for grown up hearts. Discuss ways that you try to keep your own heart open to God's Word. This example is very powerful for children as we know. Children always learn more from our example than from our words. If your children don't have a children's Bible perhaps you could consider getting one for them and begin reading it together.