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Good Church: Grow into Good People (Mark 4:1-20)

Warmup: If you were to change careers and become a farmer, what crop would you grow?

READ Mark 4:1-20

- What groups of people are listening to Jesus teach the Parable of the Sower?
- What are the four types of soil?
- What is God saying to you in these verses?

REFLECT

- How are these parables like a spiritual hearing test? What blocks understanding?
- In your experience what type of soil do you frequently encounter and what is your response?
- *The person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God but considers them foolishness and cannot understand them because they are discerned only through the Spirit (1 Corinthians 2:14).* This Scripture references those who do not know Jesus. As a follower of Jesus which parts need stronger roots? Are there times you find yourself comfortable in compromising God's directives?

RESPOND

- What barriers or distractions keep you from fully obeying God and growing spiritually?
- Identify something that needs to change in your life to follow Jesus in full surrender.
- What is your next step in giving everything up to Jesus? Identify an accountability person and send them a text asking them to touch base with you this week.

"To transform religious and irreligious people into Fully Devoted Followers of Christ."