

Jesus' Transition to Private Ministry – Mark 4

Strategy

[2; 9-12; 33-34] Parables to the _____

Private explanation to _____

Parables of the Kingdom:

1. Parable of the _____ [vv. 3-8 // 13-20] Seed = _____

Soil	Characteristics	Jesus' Explanation
Beside road [4, 15]		
Rocky [5-6, 16-17]		
Thorny [7, 18-19]		
Good [8, 20]		

- (21-23) Parable of the _____
- Exhortation (24-25)

2. Parable of man casting _____ upon the _____ [vv. 26-29]
How does *God's kingdom* _____? _____ makes it grow!

3. Parable of the _____ [vv. 30-32]
God's kingdom started _____, but will be _____ in the end

Application

- What kind of soil am I? What kind of soil do I want to be?
- How does soil become "good" soil?
- What would change in my life for me to become "good soil"?
- What will I do to become that kind of soil?

Walking in the Holy Spirit

The term used in Scripture (Galatians 5:16; Romans 8:1-4)

- " _____ " - not "crawling" or "sprinting"
- God designed this as the _____ experience for the Christian.

What does it mean to "Walk in the Spirit?"

- _____ - set on the things of God (Rom 8:4-7; Col 3:1-3)
 - _____ - desiring Jesus to live His life through me (Gal 2:20)
 - _____ - choosing to please God over self (Rom 8:8; Gal 5:16)
 - _____ in Christ (John 15:4-10)
 - The _____ abiding in me (Col 3:16 and Eph 5:18)
 - Practicing the _____ of the Holy Spirit as a way of life
- Spiritual Breathing*
- 1) _____ - confessing sin and claiming God's forgiveness
 - 2) _____ - claiming the filling of God's Spirit
- Living a _____ life (Galatians 2:20)

What happens when we walk in the Spirit / abide in Christ?

- 1 Corinthians 10:13 – God's power over _____
- Galatians 5:16-17 – God's power in _____
- Acts 1:8 – God's power in our _____
- Romans 8:12-15 - _____ as _____ meant it to be!
- Galatians 5:22-23 – He produces _____ in us
- Ephesians 5:18^{ff}; John 15:4-5
 - 1) The principle of fruit-bearing
 - 2) My primary responsibility: *Not trying* to be _____; but being _____; and *trusting* Him to _____ through my life.