

# Today's Soils in Anoka

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# Applying the Word to Current Times

How would you apply the definitions of the soils in Mark 4 to our land today?





And He began to teach by the sea side: and there was gathered unto Him a great multitude, so that He entered into a ship, and sat in the sea; and the whole multitude was by the sea on the land. And He taught them many things by parables, and said unto them in His doctrine,

**Mark 4:1-2 KJV**

“Hearken; Behold, there went out a sower to sow: and it came to pass, as he sowed, some fell by the wayside, and the fowls of the air came and devoured it up.

Mark 4:3-4 KJV

And some fell on stony ground, where it had not much earth; and immediately it sprang up, because it had no depth of earth: but when the sun was up, it was scorched; and because it had no root, it withered away.

**Mark 4:5-6 KJV**



And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up, and choked it, and it yielded no fruit. And other fell on good ground, and did yield fruit that sprang up and increased; and brought forth, some thirty, and some sixty, and some an hundred.”

**Mark 4:7-8 KJV**

And He said unto them, “He that hath ears, let him hear.”

And when He was alone, they that were about Him with the twelve asked of Him the parable.

Mark 4:9-10 KJV

“with”



And He said unto them, “Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God: but unto them that are without, all these things are done in parables: that seeing they may see, and not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and not understand; lest at any time they should be converted, and their sins should be forgiven them.”

Mark 4:11-12 KJV



And He said unto them, “Know ye not this parable? And how then will ye know all parables?”

The sower soweth the word.

Mark 4:13-14 KJV

And these are they by the wayside, where the word is sown; but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts.

Mark 4:15 KJV

And these are they likewise which are sown on stony ground; who, when they have heard the word, immediately receive it with gladness; and have no root in themselves, and so endure but for a time: afterward, when affliction or persecution ariseth for the word's sake, immediately they are offended.

**Mark 4:16-17 KJV**



And these are they which are sown among thorns; such as hear the word, and the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful.

**Mark 4:18-19 KJV**

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Mark 4:20 KJV

# The Sower - Verse 14

- The sower soweth the word.
- The sower: the believer who speaks forth the word
- The word: the Word of God, including the gospel



# The Wayside - Verse 15

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- Pizza Man Church -those seated around us
- Testimonies, Gospel
- Shoulder shrug and back to life as it was



Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

Ephesians 5:19 KJV

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- Led to say a prayer only?

But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:

1 Peter 3:15 KJV

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- Interested but no action taken
- Saying yes, but not showing up

No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

Matthew 6:24 KJV



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# Tend Your Soil - 2 Peter 3:17 KJV

- Do not allow your soil to become thorny

Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness.

# Tend Your Soil - Hebrews 10:23-24 KJV

- Heed the warning to maintain fellowship with likeminded believers

Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for He is faithful that promised;) and let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

# Tend Your Soil - Hebrews 10:25 KJV

- Heed the warning to maintain fellowship with likeminded believers

Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.