

In today's Gospel, Luke 8:5-15, Christ Jesus tells the parable of the Sower, in which the seed is the word of God. And, how will we receive this word? Will it be on the path where the devil comes and takes it away from our hearts? Will it be on the rock, where although there is joy, there is no root to be found and it falls away? Will it be among thorns, where it is choked by what goes on in life, not allowing it to mature? Or, will it be in good soil where good fruit will bear because of the patience used to cultivate the word?

Dearest ones, how do we receive the word of God? Are our hearts open so that like good soil, the mysteries of the Kingdom of God can be revealed to us as faithful? Or, are we so caught up with life's cares, riches and pleasures that we are unable to create an authentic relationship with God? Each day, we hold these choices, dearest ones, and each day, we are able to choose to open our hearts to Him as faithful with honesty and goodness. Let us strive everyday in patience so that the word of God is nurtured, and in time with it bears good fruit. It is this we pray to Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and forever and ever, amen.