

“Whoever has ears to hear, let him hear”

Luke 8:1-21 (Page 864)

Salvation is for everyone...

1. ...but it comes through the proclaimed word of God.

2. ...so, are you listening?

Why Jesus speaks in parables – (Isaiah 6).

To sort between “disciples” and “others” (v9)

3. The secrets to the Kingdom of God (the soils)

Path – the devil snatches the word away, like pigeons on some seed .

Rocky ground - a time of testing

Thorny ground – the word is choked by the Christian double-life.

Good soil – holds fast in an honest and good heart, bears fruit

4. Application

Church attendance, inviting a friend to church, reading the bible daily.

Prioritise the times of the week where you hear Jesus speaking (Bible)

The stick – Look how you listen (listen with an eye on final judgment) v16-18

The carrot – listening is how Jesus counts his family, v19-21