

	THE DETAILS	PATH	ROCKY PLACES	THORNS	GOOD SOIL
THE MEANING	<p>A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, . . .</p>	<p>Mt./Mk. some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. <u>It was trampled on.</u></p>	<p>Mt./ Mk. Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. <u>It sprang up quickly,</u> because the soil was shallow. But when the sun came up, the plants were <u>scorched,</u> and <u>they withered</u> because they had no root.</p> <p>Lk. The plants withered because they had <u>no moisture.</u></p>	<p>Mt./ Lk. Other seed fell among <u>thorns,</u> which <u>grew up and choked the plants.</u></p> <p>Mk. <u>It yielded no grain</u></p>	<p>Mt. Still other seed fell on good soil, where it <u>produced a crop--a hundred, sixty or thirty times</u> what was sown</p> <p>Mk. thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times.</p> <p>Lk. It came up and yielded a crop, a hundred times more than was sown.</p>
<p>Sower sows the Word of God.</p>	<p>Mt./Mk. When anyone <u>hears the message</u> about the Kingdom and does not understand it, <u>the evil one</u> comes and <u>snatches away what was sown</u> in his heart. This is the seed sown along the path.</p> <p>Mk. (Satan) Lk. (Devil)... so that they may <u>not believe</u> and be saved.</p>	<p>Mt./ Mk. The one who received the seed that fell on rocky places is the man who <u>hears</u> the word and at once <u>receives it with joy.</u> But since he has <u>no root,</u> he <u>lasts only a short time.</u></p> <p>When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, he quickly falls away.</p> <p>Lk. They <u>believe for a while,</u> but in the <u>time of testing</u> they fall away.</p>	<p>Mt. The one who received the seed that fell among the thorns is the man who <u>hears</u> the word, but the <u>worries of this life</u> and the <u>deceitfulness of wealth choke it,</u> making it <u>unfruitful.</u></p> <p>Mk. <u>Desires for other things</u> come in and choke the word, making it unfruitful.</p> <p>Lk. . . but as they go on <u>their way</u> they are <u>choked by life's worries,</u> riches and <u>pleasures,</u> and they do <u>not mature.</u></p>	<p>Mt. But the one who received the seed that fell on good soil is the man who <u>hears</u> the word and <u>understands</u> it. He <u>produces a crop,</u> yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown.</p> <p>Mk. . . hear the word, <u>accept it.</u></p> <p>Lk. But the seed on good soil stands for those with a <u>noble and good heart,</u> who hear the word, retain it, and <u>by persevering</u> produce a crop.</p>	