. Look at the parable of the sower - Mt. 13 and Lk 8

1. It begins, “A sower went out to sow ...”

Let’s look at it from a different prospective. Instead of different soils let look at the sower!

A. How did you become a Christian?

1. Converted from another religion or from out of the world?

2. Were you raised in the church?

3. Chance as someone told you about the gospel. Very few just pick it up and become a Christian

4. We all are the results of someone teaching you the blessed good news,

have you/ and most importantly Are you returning the favor?

 2. The sower is the parable can be each one of us. Spreading the good news in the hearts and minds of

those around us.

1. Imagine yourself living as a farmer if you sowed seed the way most are sowing God’s word. Or to

Make it more personal they way you are sowing Gods seed.

 4. How are you sowing the seed of the kingdom?

 a. Blindly – Tossing aimlessly and see what comes

 We need to have a purpose don’t just scatter aimlessly.

 b. Purposely - Strong, even, covering all the ground.( opposite of blindly)

We have a purpose, for the farmer he needs crop to make a living. As a Christian we need to reach out to every lost soul. This goes back to you, weren’t you glad someone showed you the gospel?

 c. Lazily - “Oh, yah! I’m supposed to be sowing seed!” but I don’t want too.

You surely won’t get any crop if you sow this way. Definitely not pleasing to God, Heb 11:6b God is rewarder of those who(lazily) diligently seek him.

 d. Industriously – working very hard, diligently

 This type of sower will reap plentifully, both as a farmer and as a Christian.

 e. Randomly - A seed here, a seed there, but only if we think the conditions are ideal

2 Tim 4:2 preach the word be ready in season and out of season. Unlike certain crops God seed can be spread anytime of the year/day/night.

 f. Abundantly – freely, selfishly, lovingly,

 Each person has the right to know about God and what was done for us. By us speeding the seed like this we can be pleasing to God.

But we should sow the seed like ( B,D,F)

There is ample opportunity - [John 4:27-38](http://biblia.com/bible/nkjv/John%204.27-38)

                        1.         (vs. 27) Don’t screen prospects

                                    a.         Each person has the right to accept or reject the gospel

                                    b.         I have no right to make that decision for anyone else

                        2.         (Vs. 31-34) Teaching is more important than eating

                                    a.         It is a matter of priorities

                                    b.         “No time” is no excuse.

                        3.         (Vs. 35-36) The matter is urgent

                                    a.         This life is short and you may not get a second chance

                                    b.         Don’t expect to convert everyone, but we must strive to teach everyone.

The reason why I focused on the sower is important bc we are judged on how we live our lives

 2 Cor. 5:10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

What we are not responsible for is what the individual does with the seed we spread.

 1 Cor 3:12-15 13 each one's work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. 14 If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. 15 If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire.

 Most of all know the invitation song asks “Are you sowing the seed of the kingdom, brother?”

1. My question is are you?

Let stand and sing the song selected.