

HEARING WITH YOUR

May Sermon Series:
Ears To Hear

Heart

Mark 4:9

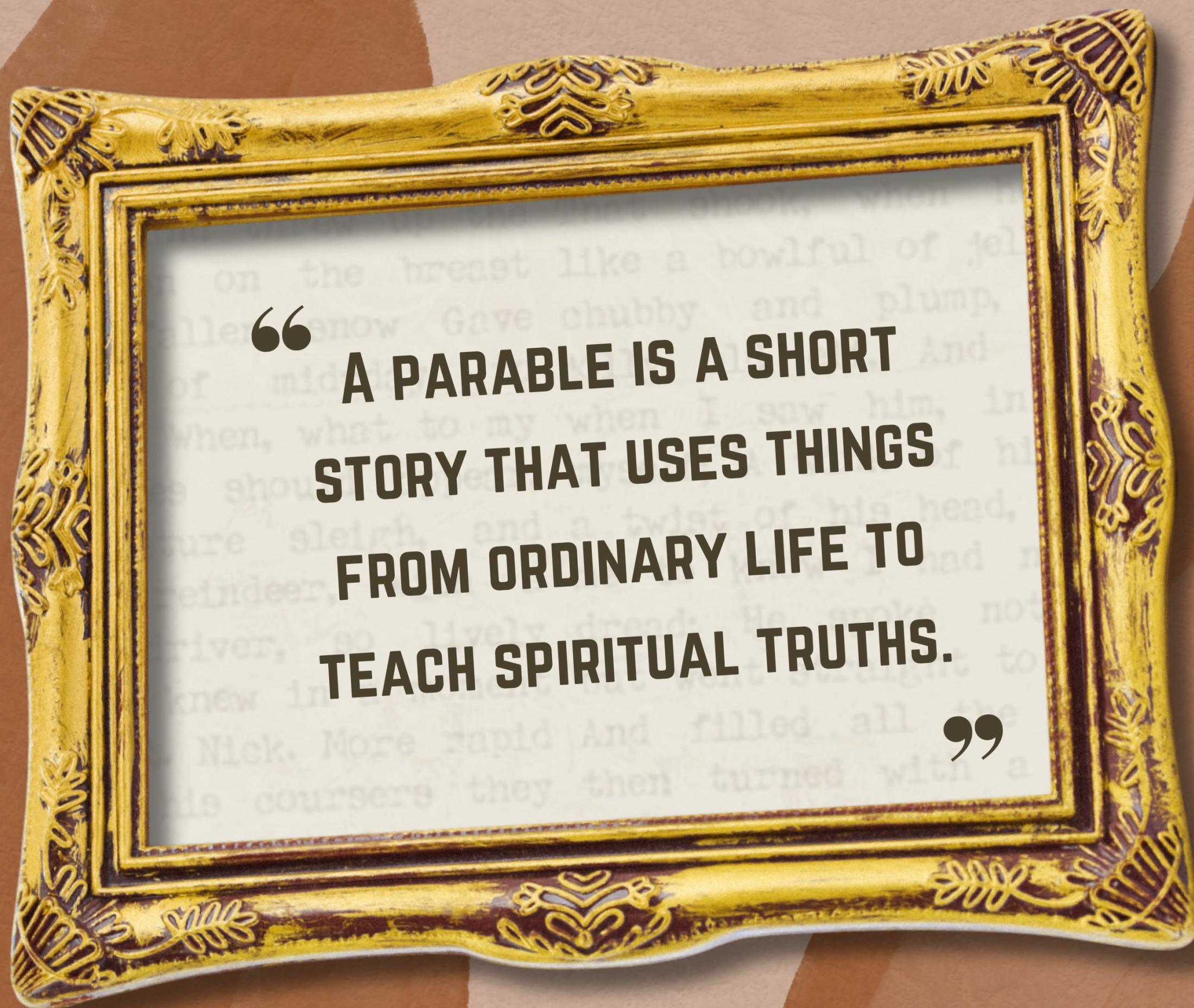
**AND HE SAID TO THEM, "HE WHO HAS
EARS TO HEAR, LET HIM HEAR!"**

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Isaiah 50:4-5

**THE LORD YAHWEH HAS GIVEN ME A DISCIPLE'S TONGUE
SO I MAY KNOW HOW TO REPLY TO THE WEARIED. HE
PROVIDES ME WITH A SPEECH. EACH MORNING, HE WAKES
ME TO HEAR, LISTEN LIKE A DISCIPLE. THE LORD YAHWEH
HAS OPENED MY EAR."**



“ A PARABLE IS A SHORT
STORY THAT USES THINGS
FROM ORDINARY LIFE TO
TEACH SPIRITUAL TRUTHS. ”

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 4:1-9

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AND AGAIN HE BEGAN TO TEACH BY THE SEA. AND A GREAT MULTITUDE WAS GATHERED TO HIM, SO THAT HE GOT INTO A BOAT AND SAT IN IT ON THE SEA; AND THE WHOLE MULTITUDE WAS ON THE LAND FACING THE SEA. THEN HE TAUGHT THEM MANY THINGS BY PARABLES AND SAID TO THEM IN HIS TEACHING: LISTEN! BEHOLD, A SOWER WENT OUT TO SOW. AND IT HAPPENED, AS HE SOWED, THAT SOME SEED FELL BY THE WAYSIDE; AND THE BIRDS OF THE AIR CAME AND DEVoured IT.

Mark 4:1-9

**SOME FELL ON STONY GROUND, WHERE IT DID NOT HAVE 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. AND SOME SEED FELL AMONG THORNS;
AND THE THORNS GREW UP AND CHOKED IT, AND IT YIELDED NO CROP.
BUT OTHER SEED FELL ON GOOD GROUND AND YIELDED A CROP THAT
SPRANG UP, INCREASED, AND PRODUCED: SOME THIRTYFOLD, SOME
SIXTY, AND SOME A HUNDRED.” AND HE SAID TO THEM,
“HE WHO HAS EARS TO HEAR, LET HIM HEAR!”**

1. HARD

2. STONY

3. THORNY

4. GOOD

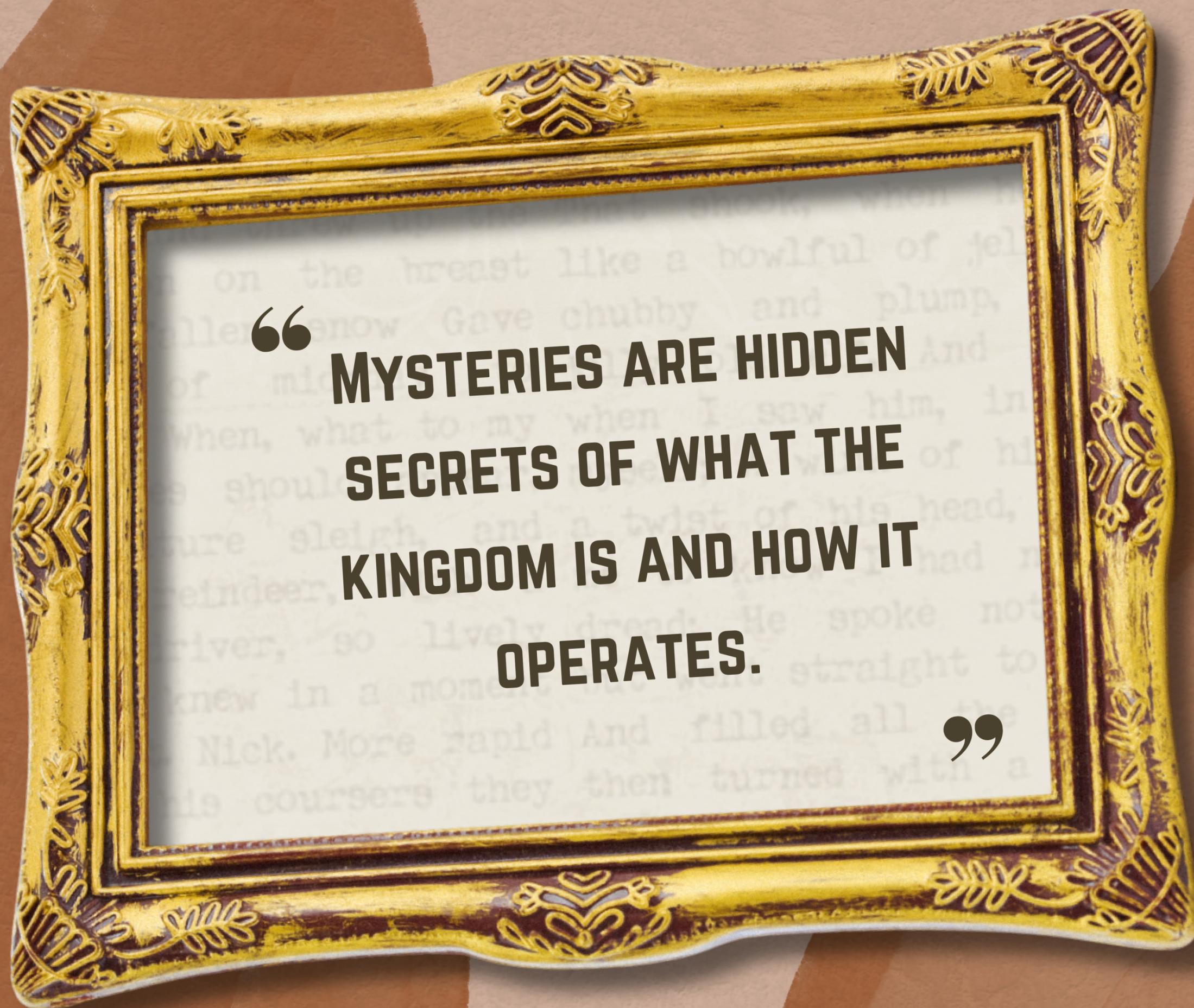
Four Types of Soil

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 4:10-12

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BUT WHEN HE WAS ALONE, THOSE AROUND HIM WITH THE TWELVE ASKED HIM ABOUT THE PARABLE. AND HE SAID TO THEM, “TO YOU IT HAS BEEN GIVEN TO KNOW THE MYSTERY OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD; BUT TO THOSE WHO ARE OUTSIDE, ALL THINGS COME IN PARABLES, SO THAT ‘SEEING THEY MAY SEE AND NOT PERCEIVE, AND HEARING THEY MAY HEAR AND NOT UNDERSTAND; LEST THEY SHOULD TURN, AND THEIR SINS HAVE FORGIVEN THEM.’



on the breast like a bowlful of jelly
Gave chubby and plump,
And
When, what to my when I saw him, in
e should
ure sleigh, and a twist of his head,
reindeer,
river, so lively dreed; He spoke not
knew in a moment
Nick. More rapid And filled all the
is courses they then turned with a

“
**MYSTERIES ARE HIDDEN
SECRETS OF WHAT THE
KINGDOM IS AND HOW IT
OPERATES.**
”

1 Corinthians 2:9-10

BUT AS IT IS WRITTEN, EYE HAS NOT SEEN, NOR EAR HEARD, NEITHER HAVE ENTERED THE HEART OF MAN, THE THINGS WHICH GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THEM THAT LOVE HIM. BUT GOD HAS REVEALED THEM TO US BY HIS SPIRIT: FOR THE SPIRIT SEARCHES ALL THINGS, YES, THE DEEP THINGS OF GOD.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

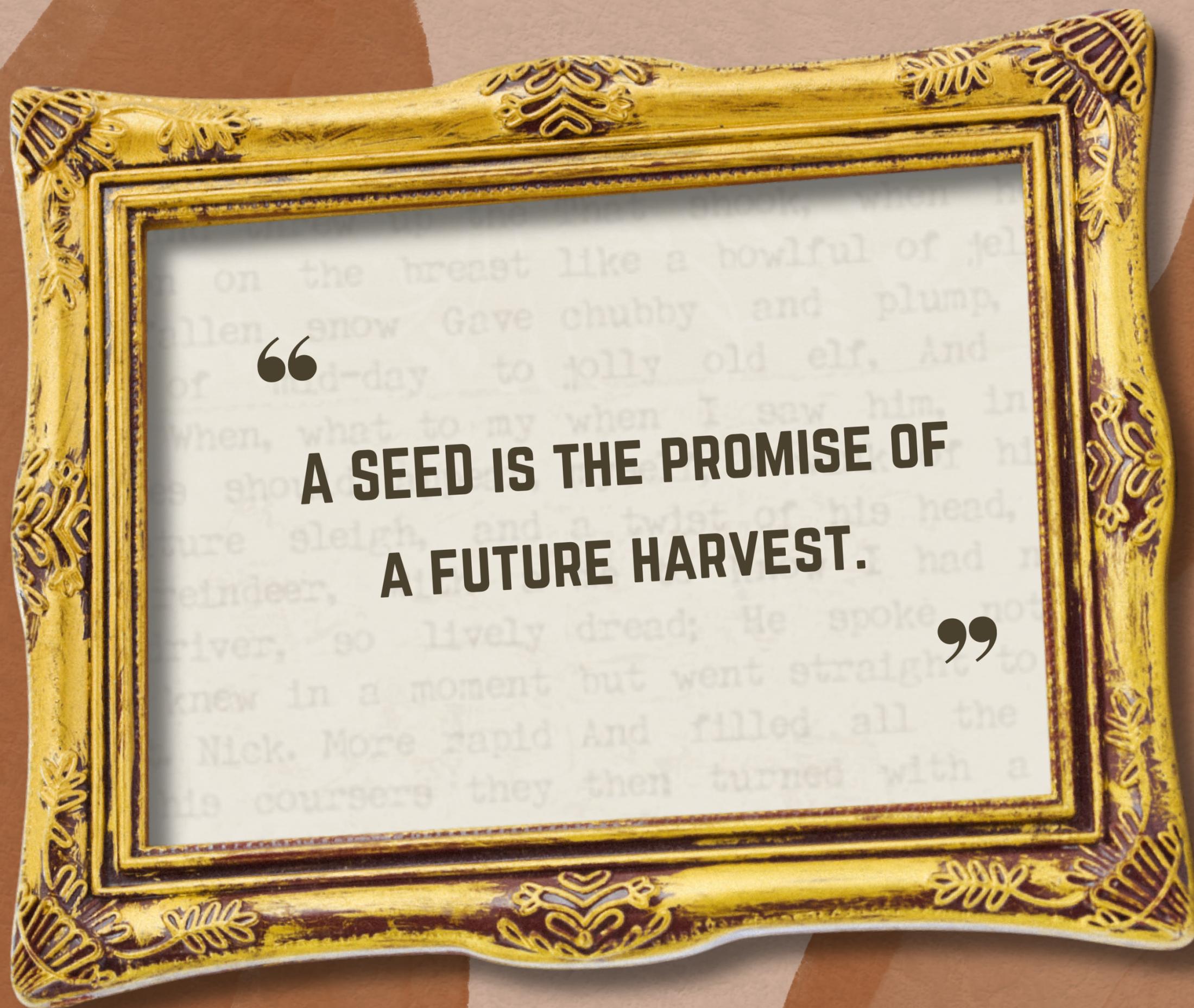
Mark 4:13-20

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AND HE SAID TO THEM, "DO YOU NOT UNDERSTAND THIS PARABLE? HOW THEN WILL YOU UNDERSTAND ALL THE PARABLES? THE SOWER SOWS THE WORD. AND THESE ARE THE ONES BY THE WAYSIDE WHERE THE WORD IS SOWN. WHEN THEY HEAR, SATAN COMES IMMEDIATELY AND TAKES AWAY THE WORD THAT WAS SOWN IN THEIR HEARTS. THESE LIKEWISE ARE THE ONES SOWN ON STONY GROUND WHO, WHEN THEY HEAR THE WORD, IMMEDIATELY RECEIVE IT WITH GLADNESS; AND THEY HAVE NO ROOT IN THEMSELVES, AND SO ENDURE ONLY FOR A TIME.

Mark 4:13-20

AFTERWARD, WHEN TRIBULATION OR PERSECUTION ARISES FOR THE WORD'S SAKE, IMMEDIATELY THEY STUMBLE. NOW THESE ARE THE ONES SOWN AMONG THORNS; THEY ARE THE ONES WHO HEAR THE WORD, AND THE CARES OF THIS WORLD, THE DECEITFULNESS OF RICHES, AND THE DESIRES FOR OTHER THINGS ENTERING IN CHOKES THE WORD, AND IT BECOMES UNFRUITFUL. BUT THESE ARE THE ONES SOWN ON GOOD GROUND, THOSE WHO HEAR THE WORD, ACCEPT IT, AND BEAR FRUIT: SOME THIRTYFOLD, SOME SIXTY, AND SOME A HUNDRED."



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**A SEED IS THE PROMISE OF
A FUTURE HARVEST.**

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*Four Types of Individuals
Who Fear:*

1. THE UNRESPONSIVE PERSON

MARK 4:1

2. THE IMPULSIVE PERSON

MARK 4:16-17

3. THE PREOCCUPIED PERSON

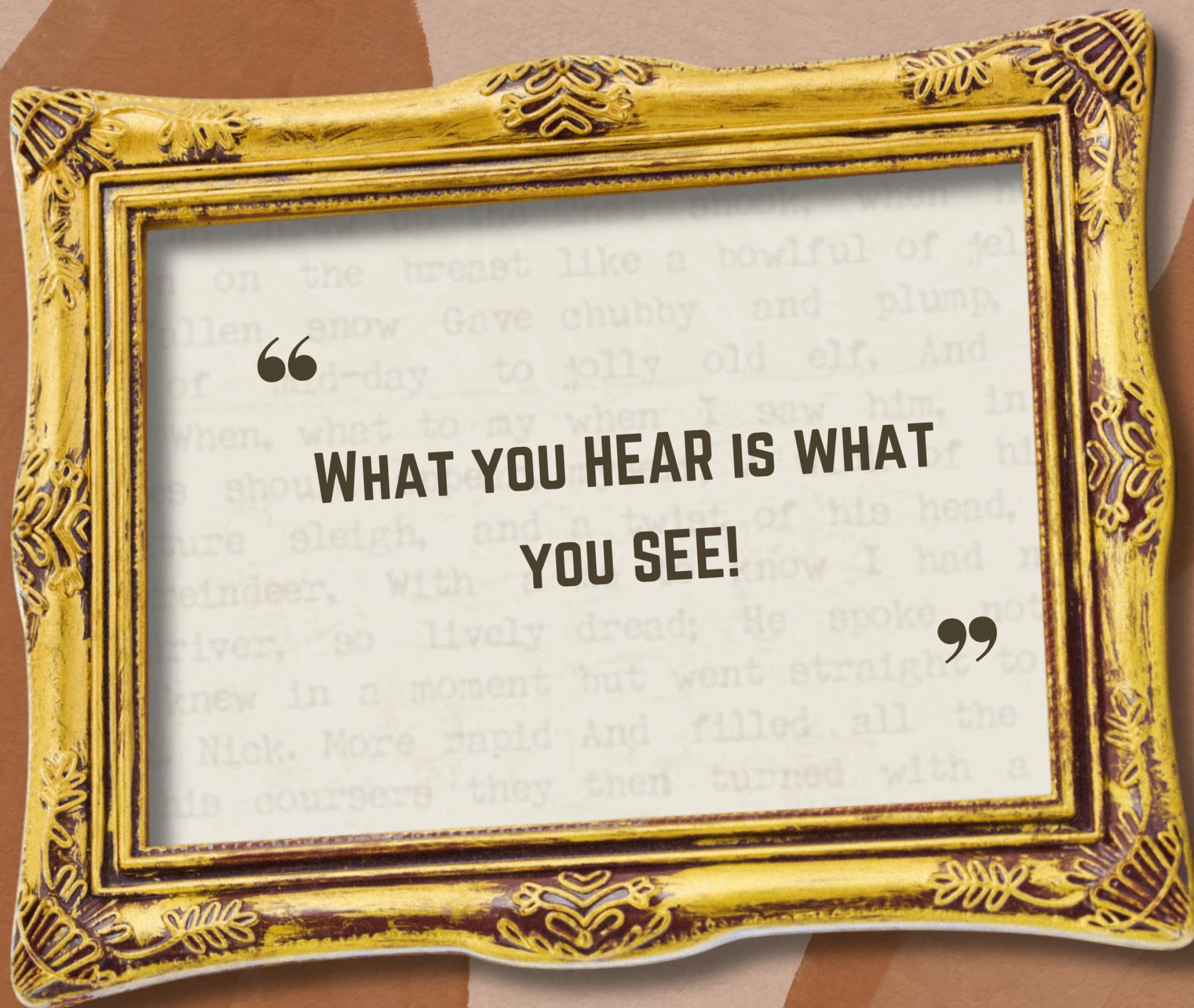
MARK 4:18-19

James 4:4

YOU ADULTERESSES, DO YOU NOT KNOW THAT FRIENDSHIP WITH THE WORLD IS HOSTILITY TOWARD GOD? THEREFORE, WHOEVER WISHES TO BE A FRIEND OF THE WORLD MAKES HIMSELF AN ENEMY OF GOD.

4. THE RESPONSIVE PERSON

MARK 4:20



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**WHAT YOU HEAR IS WHAT
YOU SEE!**

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Mark 4:23-24

LET THE PERSON WHO HAS EARS LISTEN!” HE WENT ON TO SAY, “PAY ATTENTION TO WHAT YOU’RE LISTENING TO! [KNOWLEDGE] WILL BE MEASURED OUT TO YOU BY THE MEASURE [OF ATTENTION] YOU GIVE.

THIS IS THE WAY KNOWLEDGE INCREASES.

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**MAYBE WE SHOULD LISTEN
TWICE AS MUCH AS WE
SPEAK.**

-AFRICAN PROVERB- ”

James 1:19

**KNOW THIS, MY BELOVED BROTHERS: LET EVERY PERSON BE QUICK TO
HEAR, SLOW TO SPEAK, SLOW TO ANGER.”**

1. TIME (MAKE IT)

2. CONCENTRATION (THINK ABOUT IT)

3. APPLICATION (DO IT).