

GO: *Listening to Your Heart's Soil*
Luke 8:1-15

- i. Sometimes you have to take a look at where you are facing.
- ii. The word: Hear: appears 7 times.
- iii. What is a parable? Something that is thrown down alongside. It requires work on the part of the listener, usually self-reflection.
- iv. What is the seed? The word of God
- v. What is the word of God proclaimed? Jesus speaking about the realm of God.

THERE ARE FOUR KINDS OF SOIL IN THE HEART

- I. HARD HEART SOIL (5,12)
- II. SHALLOW HEART SOIL (6,13)
- III. CROWDED HEART SOIL (7,14)
- IV. GOOD HEART SOIL (8,15)

Conclusion:

- i. It is less about the size of the crowd.
- ii. It is about a lifetime of living into a heart that is good soil.
- iii. Persevering means a long *patience* in the right direction.
- iv. What is the soil of your heart? How can you go from one of the first 3 to the fourth?
Be specific...