

Study Guide Questions

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Message: The Program

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Memory Verse: 1 Timothy 4:7-8

Have nothing to do with godless myths and old wives' tales; rather, train yourself to be godly. For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come.

- Share about a time when you made a commitment to do something but failed to follow through. How is that experience akin to the seed that fell along rocky or thorny ground?

Read Matthew 13:1-23

- The parable affirms that Satan is actively opposing the work of the sower and the growth of the seed. What can Christians do to thwart the schemes of the devil?
- Can soil be changed from rocky to good? If so, how does this happen? Can you play a role in cultivating a more receptive soil in another's life?
- Who sowed seed into your life? Who continues to help it grow? In the same way that others have sown into your life, in whom can you invest now?
- Where and how often are you casting seed?
- *Path:* When you share Jesus with others, is your message clear and understandable?
- *Rocks:* Share about a time you have encountered persecution or ridicule because of your faith. Were you able to stand firm in your convictions? If you have not faced persecution or ridicule, why do you think that is?



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- *Thorns*: Do you ever feel that the worries of this life or the deceitfulness of wealth are preventing you from being fruitful? How does what we prioritize speak to what we value? Do your values align with God's priorities?
- *Good Soil*: The purpose of planting a seed is that it is going to produce something. As Christians, what should be our crop or fruit? How is that displayed in your life?
- What is Jesus trying to communicate when He quotes Isaiah 6:9-10? What is the correlation between hearing and obedience?



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