Your Mind as "Soil" For God's Word Pt. 2 - getting sickness out of your mind Mark 4 The Good Ground

Mark 4:20: And these seeds (God's Word) are they which are sown on good ground.....

Mark 4:14: The Sower sows the Word

We are taking a fresh look at the Parable of the Sower - applying the 'soil' Jesus spoke of to your mind. Mike Hoesch in his series "Getting Sickness Out of Your Mind" stressed the importance of your state of mind to your physical healing. John indicates the same in 3 John 2.

Soil: the living medium for plant growth as distinct from dirt, which has no living ecosystem.

Some introductory information: You are a 3 part being (1 Thessalonians 5:23) you ARE a spirit you possess a soul (mind, will & emotions) you live in a body.

You the spirit are a new creation if you are in Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17) It is no long the 'old' you that lives but Christ who lives in you (Galatians 2:20)

He(the Holy Spirit) **does not live in your soul** (mind, will, emotions). That is why we still have problems after being saved/born again. If you analyze it for a moment, your will and emotions follow your mind and its thoughts. This is why Paul emphasized working with the mind, the understanding over and over.

M.H.: The mind isn't convinced it is renewed. To 'get sickness out of your mind', you must renew it with God's Word."

Can you picture your mind sitting on a table in front of you and thinking: "Hmmmmm......that is soil in which seeds are planted!"

Quotes from Andrew Wommack's book, "You Are Just Plain Dirt"

First the ground: Genesis 1:11 "Let the earth bring forth" Notice it says the 'earth' brought forth.

Genesis 2:7: "And the Lord God formed man(body) from the dust of the ground."

Seeds activate what is already in the soil and the soil causes growth. This is a different concept I want you to consider. If you could understand and apply it to your personal life, I believe it would just change everything.

Andrew is putting emphasis on the ground rather than the seed. We usually put all the emphasis on a thought or thoughts (which are like seeds) rather than on our mind which is the 'ground' that receives and grows the 'thought seed'.

Andrew:

You can see God's Word produce in your life if you ROOT OUT all the contrary things. (Contrary: opposing; contradictory; clashing; conflicting; uncooperative)

For your mind to be good ground, it takes eliminating preoccupation with the things of the world and placing more focus on the Lord.

In this parable, the Word of God was the catalyst. (catalyst: stimulant; energizer)

It is the ground that allows the seed to grow.

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God's Word has the SAME POTENTIAL in EVERY SITUATION. It isn't the Word(seed) that is the variable, but the condition of the soil(mind) receiving it. (variable: changeable; fluctuating; fickle; wavering)

Mark 4:26-29

'the earth brought forth fruit of herself'

OF HERSELF: automatos (self-moved, automatic, spontaneous.

See Acts 12:10 also. Only 2 places in Scripture.

Your mind produces fruit automatically according to whatever seed you sow in it.

In creation, all the animals were in the ground; but they needed the seed of God's Word to give birth to them.

Everything you will ever need is already in your heart(new creation) through the new birth.

You just need the incorruptible Seed of God's Word to bring them to birth.

