

Scripture Reading for James 1:22-27
Matthew 13:18-23

Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is the one on whom seed was sown beside the road.

The one on whom seed was sown on the rocky places, this is the man who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet he has no firm root in himself, but is only temporary, and when affliction or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he falls away.

And the one on whom seed was sown among the thorns, this is the man who hears the word, and the worry of the world and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.

And the one on whom seed was sown on the good soil, this is the man who hears the word and understands it; who indeed bears fruit and brings forth, some a hundredfold, some sixty, and some thirty.

John 14:21-24

He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him....

...If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him.

He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine, but the Father's who sent Me.

Through the New Testament

James 1:22-27

“Three Critical Elements for Being a Doer of the Word”

Introduction:

No one can be a “doer of the word” until he or she first has received Jesus Christ as personal Savior. Receiving Jesus Christ as Lord is an act of faith.

To be a “doer of the word,” become _____.

To be a “doer of the word,” fulfill _____.

Closing Chorus

The Lord bless thee and keep thee,
The Lord make His face to shine upon thee,
And be gracious unto thee, be gracious unto thee.
The Lord lift up His countenance
Upon thee and give thee peace.
 (“The Lord Bless Thee” by Chuck Butler)