

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: March 18, 2018
Mark 4:1-20

1. What was Jesus doing in verse 1?
 - a. Again, at the lake!
 - b. Teaching.
 - c. Drawing a crowd.

2. How, according to verse 2, did Jesus teach them? _____

3. What was the setup to this parable? _____

4. What happened to the seed, according to verses 4-8?
 - a. It all grew.
 - b. Some fell along the path and the birds came and ate it up.
 - c. Some fell along the rocky places where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had not root.
 - d. Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants, so that they did not bear grain.
 - e. Still other seed fell on good soil. It came up, grew and produced a crop, some multiplying thirty, some sixty, some a hundred times.

5. What does Jesus mean by what he says in verse 9?
 - a. Everybody listen.
 - b. Well, according to verses 10-12, some will understand but others will not.

6. Did the disciples understand the parable? Yes_____ No_____ Explain. _____

7. Describe a real-life situation where each of these situations happen.
 - a. Birds eat it. Seed is sown, but as soon as they hear it Satan steals it away. _____

 - b. Rocky Places. Receive it with joy, but there is no root so it withers after a short time.

 - c. Sown among the thorns. Worries of this life, the deceitfulness of wealth and the desires for other things choke the word, making it unfruitful. _____

 - d. Good soil. Thirty, sixty, or a hundred times. _____

8. What is the moral of the story?
 - a. Watch where you throw the seed.
 - b. Don't be surprised if not everyone you preach to grows to be a strong disciple.
 - c. Spread more seed.