

The Gospel of Luke - Lesson 14

Luke 8:1-25

Introduction and Background

In this section of Luke, Jesus continues to travel, and we get an insight into the women who travelled with Him and His disciples. As always, Jesus heals and teaches. This time Jesus tells a beautiful and insightful parable about a farmer planting seed. The section ends with Jesus calming a storm while crossing the lake with His disciples.

Read [Luke 8:1-3](#) Women Who Followed Jesus

1. Who were the women who followed Jesus? How do you think they helped? (1-3)
2. What would be more, or less difficult for a woman following Jesus in those times? Today?

Read [Luke 8:4-15](#) Parable of the Farmer Scattering Seed

3. Who was the main character in this parable and what was he doing? (4-5)
4. On what types of soil did the seeds in the parable land? (5-8)
5. According to Jesus, what does the seed represent? (11)
6. What does the seed on the footpath represent? (12)
7. What does the seed on the rocky footpath represent? (13)
8. What does the seed in the thorns represent? (14)
9. What does the seed in the good soil represent? (15) What kind of soil are you?
10. Do you think that it is possible for a person to turn away from Jesus after following Him for a while?

Read [Luke 8:16-18](#) The Parable of the Lamp

11. What do you do with a lamp? What does this have to do with secrets? (16-17)
12. Is it important to listen to Jesus' teaching? Why? (18)

Read [Luke 8:18-25](#) The True Family of Jesus and Jesus Calms the Storm

13. How does Jesus describe His family? Was this an insult to His family?
14. How can we be a part of Jesus' family today?
15. Is it more important to follow Jesus or follow your family?
16. What happened when Jesus and the disciples were crossing a lake? (22-23)
17. Jesus calmed the storm. Do you think that the storm could be a metaphor for the difficult times we have in our lives? If so, what should we do when we face difficulties?

Chat about these words from the passage and how you might use them in daily life:

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True and False

- a. One of the women who followed Jesus was Herod's IT manager, Susanna.
- b. The seed that landed on fertile soil was successful.
- c. Jesus did not want to see his family because they were disobedient.
- d. Jesus told the disciples that the storm would end if they had more faith.

For Discussion:

What is the most important lesson you think you have learned today? How might it change the way you think and act?

Notes:

For Further Reading:

[What is the Meaning of the Parable of the Sower?](#)

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