SERMON OUTLINE & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FEBRUARY 18, 2024

THE PARABLE OF THE FOUR SOILS LUKE 8:11-15

MAIN THOUGHT & OUTLINE

Fruit of true faith in Christ's message will only come from a heart made good and patient by the Spirit.

- **I.** No Fruit from the Hard Heart (v.11-12)
- **II.** No Fruit from the Shallow Heart (v.13)
- **III.** No Fruit from the Choked Heart (v.14)
- IV. Abundant Fruit from the Good & Patient Heart (v.15)

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

- 1. Why didn't the sower just sow on the good ground? What can we learn from this?
- 2. How have hardships choked the Word of God in your life before? Are they doing that now?
- **3.** Why should we not be content with shallow Christianity? What can make the "roots" go down deep?
- 4. Boys & girls is Jesus speaking about your heart? What soil matches your heart? What needs to change and how?

FURTHER READING: Ps. 51:10; Matt 13:22; John 15:8; Isa 55:10-11