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Cultivate a Growing Life #2

Breakup the Hardened Soil!

³ **Listen!** A farmer went out to **sow his seed**. ⁴ As he was scattering the seed, some fell **along the path**, and the birds came and ate it up...

⁹ Then Jesus said, "**Whoever** has ears to hear, **let them hear**..."

¹⁴ The farmer sows **the word of God**. ¹⁵ Some people are like seed **along the path**, where the word is sown. As soon as they hear it, Satan comes and takes away the word that was sown in them.

Mark 4:1-15

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Hardened Soil- walked on & worn down in the pounding of life's routine & difficulty. Doesn't receive the seed well due to responding with protective exterior...

¹ **Listen!** The LORD's arm is not too weak to save you, nor is his ear too deaf to hear you call. ² **It's your sins** that have cut you off from God. Because of **your sins**, he has turned away and will not listen anymore. **Isaiah 59:1-2**

⁸ If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If **we confess our sins**, he is faithful and just and **will forgive us** our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness...

¹ I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we **have an advocate** with the Father- Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. ² He is the **atonement sacrifice** for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world. **1 John 1:8-2:2**

1. Entrust your sins to Jesus' care & expertise, daily!

¹¹ For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to **prosper you** and **not to harm you**, plans to **give you hope and a future**.¹² Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will **listen to you**.

¹³ You will seek me and find me when you

seek me with all your heart.

Jeremiah 29:11-13

2. Trust that God has good plans for your future!

Crossroads Church

Discovering Life Connected with God!

Our Vision

To be a dynamic and diverse family of believers in Jesus Christ connected in transforming relationships with God, each other, and our world!

Our Purpose and Mission

To connect people with God, God's family, and God's mission through a transforming relationship with Jesus Christ!

Our Strategy

To fulfill God's purpose in our lives through a balanced commitment to love God with our entire being and to love our neighbor as ourselves, according to God's Great Commandment and Great Commission in the Bible.

Our Commitment

Growth

To speak and act more like Jesus Christ each day of our lives.
To reach people disconnected from God with the love of Jesus.

Relationships

To develop depth, consistency, and closeness in our walk with Jesus.
To share life and spiritual journey together with each other.

Relevance

To apply God's truths and principles to life in practical ways.
To engage and meaningfully share Jesus with people.

Involvement

To participate in church family relationships and responsibilities.
To discover and contribute our dynamic and diverse abilities.

Truth

To value Jesus Christ and the Bible as God's eternal revelation to us.
To believe and center on Jesus Christ as forgiver and life leader.

Let's Catch the Vision and Share the Mission Together!

"We are an autonomous, biblically-based church family that actively partners locally and internationally to fulfill our mission to connect people in transforming relationship with Jesus Christ!"