

Summary: The parable of the seeds that fell on the different types of ground, and the parable of the weeds that were left till the harvest.

Read Before: Matthew 12:22-28, 38-40, 47-50; 13:1-30, 36-43. Also read the story in the old primary lesson, Christ Object Lessons 33-74, Bible Story V8 p103-107

Aim:

1. *What do I already know?* Listen / Talk See Do

Ask: If any of the children have ever had a garden.

Show: pictures from a garden (preferably from someone they know – I have included pictures from my garden which I used.)

Talk: about some of the different things needed to grow a garden.

2. *Tell story / give facts.* Listen / Talk See Do

Beginner/Kindy: Have samples of dirt in pots. (stony, weedy, shallow, good etc)

Primary/Junior: Tell the story using the craft booklet.

"*The Parable of the seeds.* A farmer was scattering seed in his field..." **Read through till...** "The disciples asked Jesus what His story meant, and this is what Jesus said."
(From here on you turn the pages upwards) "The good ground is like people who listen and obey..."

3. *Review / how does it apply today?* Listen / Talk See Do

Draw any missing pictures in the craft books, and colour the pictures.

(To print the booklet for the Craft – select duplex (print on both sides) – "flip on long edge", trim around outside, staple where indicated, then cut where indicated. Fold along staple line, then fold in half again.

4. *What can this become / what can we do?* Listen / Talk See Do

Have the children practice telling the story so they can tell it to their parents.

**Talk more about the meaning of the story especially how it applies to their lives.
Ask what stones or weeds can you get rid of in your life?**

To Do List

Print:

- A MV colouring page for each child
- A program list for each teacher
- Pictures of a garden or plants growing
- The craft booklet for each child & teacher. Draw the missing pictures in the teacher's ones.