



## ***“The Power of God’s Word”***

Mark 4:1-20 ♦ Pastor Jim Lennon  
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***Introduction*** –*In Mark chapter 4, Jesus begins to teach in parables, and the first one reveals a lot about what God’s Kingdom is like.*

### ***I. The Sower.***

- A. The “sower” is a specific person – someone who is preaching God’s Word.
- B. The “sowing” is in the present tense and is being done liberally.

### ***II. The Seed.***

- A. Jesus identifies the “seed” as the Word of God.
- B. How is the Word of God like a seed?
  - 1. It has the power of life.
  - 2. Its growth is organic, not mechanical.

### ***III. The Soils.***

- A. The seed’s growth is limited by the soil it is in.
- B. The soils represent a person’s heart toward God.
  - 1. Hard
  - 2. Rocky
  - 3. Thorny
  - 4. Good
- C. The only essential difference in the soils is the depth of the seed.
- D. How does God’s Word get planted deep?

### ***IV. The Fruit.***

- A. The seed of God’s Word planted in a good heart produces supernatural growth and fruit.
- B. This will not happen by human agency.
- C. The seed will not produce fruit unless it dies first.

### ***Conclusion***