

## Questions, Quotes and Notes

January 29, 2023

Luke 8:4-21: Learning to Listen

**Pre-Sermon:** Here are some questions to think about to get you ready to listen to the sermon on Sunday.

1. What are some illustrations the Bible gives to help you understand the power of God's Word?
2. What are some things that keep people from benefiting from God's Word?

### Mid-Sermon:

I want to talk with you this Sunday about how to listen to God's Word well and why how you listen to God matters so much. **Specifically I will give you two characteristics of a good listener, and two reasons it is so important you learn to listen well.** Here are some questions you can be asking as I preach.

1. What are the indications in this passage that Jesus is concerned with how you listen to His Word?
2. What are some ways the warnings in Scripture can be helpful for us?
3. What are some of the ways Jesus emphasizes the privilege we have in His Word in this passage?
4. How does verse 16 and 17 clear up any confusion the disciples might have had about God's Word?
5. How is verse 16 connected back to Simeon's prophecy in Luke 2:17?
6. After showing us that there is a wrong way to listen to His Word, Jesus applies the lesson to his disciples in verse 18. What is his application for them?
7. What were the two characteristics of good listeners?
8. What were the two examples of humility? How did each of them highlight something different about humility? How does humility show up in the way you relate to Jesus' word? How can pride be such a problem?
9. What is the first primary difference Jesus points out between the good soil and the bad soils?
10. What are some things that keep people from holding fast?
11. What can happen if you are not careful about how you hear according to verse 17?
12. What encouragement do we find to listen well in verses 19-21?

### Cross References:

1. James 1:19-21
2. Colossians 1:3-8

## Notes:

- Here are some questions for your children.
  1. What passage did we study today?
  2. Can you tell the parable of the Sower in your own words?
  3. What is the next parable Jesus tells?
  4. What do those parables mean?
  5. What would it look like for you to be a good listener to God's Word?
  6. Are you?
  7. Why is it so important you learn to listen to God's Word well?