

## let's TALK

1. Gather in the name of the Father, Son & Holy Spirit. Share your highs/lows. Read Matthew 13:1-23. What strikes you as you read these verses?
2. What are parables? Why did Jesus use parables? How did He contrast His disciples' receptiveness as compared to others – 13:16,17? When you hear this parable, what is your first thought about the different kinds of soil?
3. What lessons can we learn from the various groups of people that Jesus described who failed to properly benefit from the teaching of the gospel?
4. What in your life gives depth to the soil of your heart? What are the "thorns" or "rocks" you deal with in your life? How often do you make hearing & doing God's word a priority?
5. What are some ways you see Jesus at work in today's world? How would you explain this parable to someone who didn't know much about the Bible or about Jesus?
6. What "crop" does Jesus expect to produce in his disciples? What is the key to bearing fruit reflective of Christ & his Kingdom? How is Jesus growing you to produce and even greater harvest? What do you need the church to pray for in you?

### let's READ

Sunday	Ezekiel 17:22-24	Thursday	Colossians 1:10
Monday	John 15:1-4	Friday	Psalms 1:1-6
Tuesday	John 15:5-8	Saturday	John 15:9-17
Wednesday	Galatians 5:22-23		

## let's PRAY

*PRAISE GOD for sowing his life in you.*

*THANK JESUS that he is the kingdom at work in your life.*

*ASK THE HOLY SPIRIT to grow the power and presence of Christ in you every day.*

## let's BLESS

*Make the sign of the cross on each other & say:  
(Name), † child of God,  
May Christ's grace in you produce a harvest of  
love and lives for his glory. Amen.*



# Growing PRAISE

EVERY NIGHT...EVERY HOME...THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS IN LIFE

5 — 11 August 2018

## VERSE of the week— Matthew 13:16

***"Blessed are your eyes,  
because they see;  
and your ears because they hear."***

### TABLE GRACE

(tune: Addam's Family)

***We thank you God for giving,  
all things we need for living.  
Be with us as we eat now,  
and bless our family.***

***A-a-amen (snap snap)***

***A-a-amen (snap snap)***

***A-a-amen A-a-amen***

***A-a-amen (snap snap)***

### 5 POINT CHECK UP

1. Share your highs (good times) and lows (bad times)
2. Read a verse from the Bible.
3. What do you find "best" in the text? What is most confusing or hard to understand? What does God want you to do?
4. Pray for one another (Praise God, Thank Jesus, Ask the Holy Spirit).
5. Bless one another.

## THOUGHT for the week:

***"Do not try to make the Bible relevant.  
Its relevance is self-evident.***

***Do not defend God's Word. Testify to it.***

***Trust the Word. It is a ship loaded to the  
very limits of its capacity."***

***— Dietrich Bonhoeffer***



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